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## Celebrate Seventy Years of Accomplishment Platinum Jubilee

We call it a Jubilee because it is a significant anniversary of an important event and a joyful time of celebration. It is the seventieth anniversary, so it is a Platinum Jubilee. Tulsa Figure Skating Club was officially organized March 2, 1938.

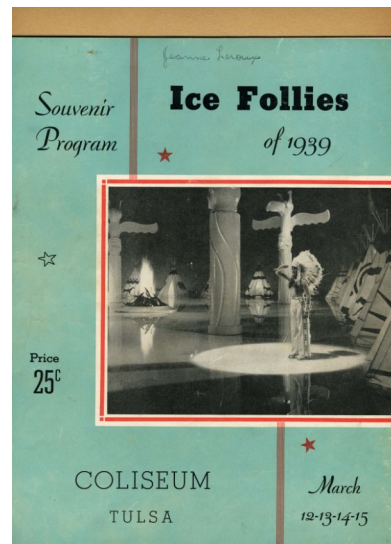
Fate had a role in the coming together of ice sports and Tulsa in the 1920's and 1930's. In 1928, the Whitesides constructed the Coliseum downtown between 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> streets. It was the largest sports arena in the southwest with seating for as many as 9,000. It also is said to be the first man-made ice below the Mason-Dixon line. In the believe-it-or-not department, the ICE FOLLIES opened their very first show at the Coliseum in November 1936.



The Coliseum in 1930 with the Tulsa Central Hockey Team on the Ice

During this same time period, Tulsa had an influx of business and professional people from the northern tier of states that were interested in serious figure skating. Ice hockey was a professional and high school varsity sport. Events converged with the facility, the show producers, the aficionados and the skaters. A small group of figure skaters on private ice were interested in a more serious type of skating and did something about it. The club was formed in March and the USFS membership was completed in October of 1938. As they say, the rest is history.

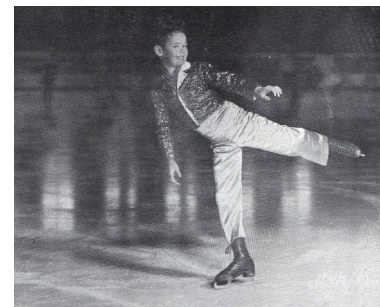
During this Platinum Jubilee year of celebration, we take great pride in the track record of the club, which has cultivated World competitors, Olympic Judges (3), USFS and ISU Administrative Leaders and Committee chairs and National competitors and many regional competitors and recreational skaters. Tulsa can be very proud of the club's significant contributions and achievements over the years.



"Little" Jeanne Leroux Feb 1938



Margaret Anne Graham about 1945



Hugh C. Graham, Jr.

Jeanne Leroux Ringeisen went to Nationals in 1944 and 1945. The Grahams went to Worlds in the 1950's and both later distinguished themselves with USFS administrative careers. Hugh was our first USFS President in 1986-1989 and Dr. Franklin Nelson was the second following Hugh's term.

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## Celebrate Seventy Years of Accomplishment...

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Today, the Grahams live in Tulsa, are members of the club and provide judging for club events. Jeanne Ringeisen lives in Florida and stays in touch with club events through the website. As recently as the Turin Olympics, we had club member Will Smith judging.

Most importantly, the club has always had young skaters who learned the discipline and goal setting that would serve them well into adulthood. The fun memories, self-esteem and confidence translate into very productive and successful adult lives. Check the number of skaters on the ice or try to find room at the food table during one of the club parties and you see the participation and enjoyment of the event. The skating success of every young person takes dedication and hard work and the results are long-term benefits for life.

During its history, the club has had cycles of success and even years with no ice venue. The spirit of membership persisted and the legacy of the club continued. We the members are the current strength of the club and we are going to celebrate this year. The Board of Governors is planning several events throughout the year in celebration of this important milestone, the first of which was the February 29<sup>th</sup> Reception at the Downtown Doubletree. Happy 70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary! Savor the moment and enjoy the events we have planned for our year of celebration.



*John Martens*  
President, TFSC

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## Club Members in the Spotlight



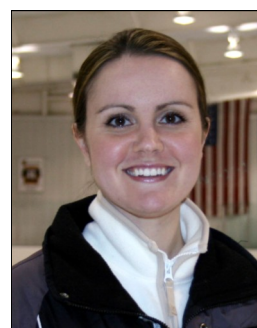
**Stephen Brower** made the President's Honor Roll at Carver Middle School for the first semester with a 4.0 GPA. Stephen was also a finalist for the Mr. Carver Award.



**Stephanie McKay** received gold and silver key awards for her artwork at the recent Oklahoma Scholastic Art Competition. She competed against 1900 students in the 7th - 12th grades. Her gold key piece will go on to New York City for the Nation Wide Competition.



**Corey & Emily Babb** became parents February 16th to a beautiful baby girl, Isabella Lauren Babb. She weighed 7lb. 12oz. and was 19 1/2 inches long. Corey is a figure skating judge and long time club member and skater. Isabella is the Granddaughter of former Test Chair, **Janelle Babb**.



Oilers Ice Arena Skating Director, **Kim Borgos** completed the PSA (*Professional Skaters Association*) requirements for her Registered Dance Rating Certificate at the January 2008 PSA seminar in Florida. Registered Dance is the first of 4 dance certifications.

# Midwinter Invitational Feb. 15-17, 2008 - Pueblo, CO

**Brittany Guevara** placed 1st in Juvenile Short Program and 2nd in Juvenile Freestyle. Brittany is a member of Tulsa Figure Skating Club but trains in Colorado Springs.

## Sooner State Games

March 1-2, 2008 - Tulsa Convention Center - Club Member Results

### Adult Bronze Compulsory Moves - Skaters in Event = 1

1 Angie Simants

### Adult Bronze Ladies Free Skate - Skaters in Event = 2

2 Angie Simants

### Basic Beginner Compulsory Moves - Skaters in Event = 4

1 Claire Lofgren

4 Audrey Smith

### Basic Beginner Free Skate - Unrestricted - Skaters in Event = 6

2 Audrey Smith

3 Claire Lofgren

6 Addison Powers

### Basic Graduate Group A - Compulsory - Skaters in Event = 5

1 Payton Keitges

3 Hailey Dugan

4 Katelyn Cashion

5 Lauren Hendricskon

### Basic Graduate Group A - Free Skate - Skaters in Event = 5

1 Payton Keitges

3 Hailey Dugan

4 Katharine Weaver

5 Lauren Hendricskon

### Basic Graduate Group A - FS Restrict. - Skaters in Event = 5

3 Katelyn Cashion

5 RJ Straw

### Basic Graduate Group B - Compulsory - Skaters in Event = 4

2 Peyton Lissau

### Basic Graduate Group B - Free Skate - Skaters in Event = 6

3 Peyton Lissau

### Basic Graduate Group C - Compulsory - Skaters in Event = 5

3 Madison Jensen

### Basic High Girls Group A - Free Skate - Skaters in Event = 5

5 Olivia Bury

### Basic High Girls Group B - Free Skate - Skaters in Event = 6

2 Carly Rooks

3 Katie Smith

### Basic High Group A - Compulsory - Skaters in Event = 5

3 Lillian Swearingen

4 Olivia Bury

5 Mia Provenzano

### Basic High Group A - Free Skate Restrict. - Skaters in Event = 5

4 Olivia Edwardes

5 Christine Lord

### Basic High Group B - Compulsory - Skaters in Event = 5

2 Katie Smith

### Basic High Group B - Free Skate Restricted - Skaters in Event = 5

3 Lillian Swearingen

### Basic High Group C - Compulsory Moves - Skaters in Event = 6

1 Carly Rooks

### Basic Low Compulsory Moves - Skaters in Event = 6

5 Allison Bruns

6 Laurene Smith

### Basic Low Group B - Free Skate Unrestricted - Skaters in Event = 4

1-TIE Allison Bruns

3 Laurene Smith

### Beginner FS Girls Group A - Compulsory - Skaters in Event = 4

1 Katelyn Karnuth

2 Jessica Barber

3 Lara Barney

4 Allison Lofgren

### Beginner FS Girls Group B - Compulsory - Skaters in Event = 4

1 Madison Keitges

### Beginner Girls Group A - Free Skate - Skaters in Event = 5

1 Madison Keitges

3 Jessica Barber

5 Lara Barney

### Beginner Girls Group B - Free Skate - Skaters in Event = 4

1 Jordan Jonckowski

### Beginner High Jumps - Skaters in Event = 2

1 Jordan Jonckowski

2 Katelyn Karnuth

### Beginner Low Jumps - Skaters in Event = 5

1 Madison Jensen

### Beginner Spins - Skaters in Event = 6

1 Katelyn Karnuth

4 Jordan Jonckowski

5 Allison Lofgren

### Bronze Artistic - Group A - Skaters in Event = 6

2 Madeline Marshall

3 Angie Simants

### Bronze Artistic - Group B - Skaters in Event = 6

2 Brooke Rogers

4 RJ Straw

5 Madison Moody

### Bronze Artistic - Group C - Skaters in Event = 6

2 Madison Jensen

5 Carly Rooks

### Bronze Footwork - Skaters in Event = 4

1 Brooke Rogers

### Couples Dance - Cha Cha - Skaters in Event = 1

1 Abigail Fain

1 Garrett Jensen

### Couples Dance - European Waltz - Skaters in Event = 1

1 Brittany Schmucker

1 Charles Meadows

## Sooner State Games Results Continued

**Couples Dance - Fiesta Tango - Skaters in Event = 1**

- 1 Brooke Rogers
- 1 Cory Tate-Sullivan

**Couples Dance - Willow Waltz -Skaters in Event = 1**

- 1 Alexandria Sipes
- 1 Stephen Brower

**Gold Footwork - Skaters in Event = 4**

- 2 Alexandria Sipes

**Intermediate Jumps - Skaters in Event = 3**

- 2 Amber Base
- 3 Charles Meadows

**Intermediate Ladies Free Skate - Skaters in Event = 9**

- 3 East Mcmillan
- 6 Amber Base
- 7 Megan Banner
- 8 Paige Westmoreland

**Intermediate Ladies Short Program - Skaters in Event = 10**

- 2 Megan Banner
- 7 Paige Westmoreland

**Intermediate Spins - Skaters in Event = 5**

- 5 Charles Meadows

**Junior Ladies Short Program - Skaters in Event = 3**

- 3 Elizabeth Paige Wheeler

**Juvenile Compulsory Moves - Skaters in Event = 4**

- 1 Bailey Slane
- 2 Taylor Jonckowski
- 4 Chelsea Jones

**Juvenile Girls Free Skate - Skaters in Event = 5**

- 4 Chelsea Jones

**Juvenile Jumps - Skaters in Event = 6**

- 1 Bailey Slane
- 3 Taylor Jonckowski
- 5 Michelle Han
- 6 Nicole Han

**Juvenile Pair Short Program - Skaters in Event = 2**

- 1 Chelsea Jones
- 1 Cory Tate-Sullivan

**Juvenile Spins - Group A - Skaters in Event = 5**

- 4 Bailey Slane

**Juvenile Spins - Group B - Skaters in Event = 4**

- 2 Nicole Han
- 3 Michelle Han
- 4 Taylor Jonckowski

**Novice Ladies Free Skate - Skaters in Event = 2**

- 1 Brittany Schmucker
- 2 Jillian Masters

**Novice Ladies Moves in the Field - Skaters in Event = 2**

- 2 Alexandria Sipes

**Novice Spins - Skaters in Event = 4**

- 1 Brittany Schmucker
- 2 Alexandria Sipes
- 3 Amber Base
- 4 Jillian Masters

**Platinum Footwork - Skaters in Event = 1**

- 1 Brittany Schmucker

**Pre-Juvenile Boys Free Skate - Skaters in Event = 2**

- 1 Stephen Brower

**Pre-Juvenile Compulsory Moves - Skaters in Event = 4**

- 2 Kate Goodwin
- 3 Jamie Rooks

**Pre-Juvenile Girls Group A - Free Skate - Skaters in Event = 5**

- 1 Taylor Jonckowski
- 2 Jamie Rooks
- 3 Bailey Slane
- 5 Michelle Han

**Pre-Juvenile Girls Group B - Free Skate -Skaters in Event = 5**

- 2 Nicole Han
- 4 Abigail Fain

**Pre-Juvenile Spins - Skaters in Event = 4**

- 2 Jamie Rooks

**Preliminary Compulsory Moves - Skaters in Event = 4**

- 4 Emily Movahed

**Preliminary Free Skate - Skaters in Event = 5**

- 1 Kate Goodwin

**Preliminary Jumps - Skaters in Event = 5**

- 3 Kelsey Bedore
- 4 Brooklyn Branch
- 5 Emily Movahed

**Preliminary Spins - Skaters in Event = 7**

- 6 Brooklyn Branch

**Pre-Preliminary Compulsory - Group A - Skaters in Event = 4**

- 2 Katy Palmer
- 4 Jennifer Fox

**Pre-Preliminary Compulsory - Group B -Skaters in Event = 4**

- 1 Tiara Smith
- 2 Kelsey Bedore

**Pre-Preliminary Compulsory - Group C -Skaters in Event = 5**

- 1 Madeline Marshall
- 3 Brooklyn Branch
- 5 Mary Joyce

**Pre-Preliminary Girls Free Skate - Restricted - Skaters in Event = 7**

- 2 Katelyn Karnuth
- 6 Elizabeth Robinson

**Pre-Preliminary Girls Group A - Free Skate - Skaters in Event = 5**

- 3 Katy Palmer

**Pre-Preliminary Girls Group B - Free Skate -Skaters in Event = 5**

- 1 Kelsey Bedore
- 2 Tiara Smith
- 4 Amanda Stephens
- 5 Jennifer Fox

**Pre-Preliminary Girls Group C - Free Skate - Skaters in Event = 4**

- 2 Brooklyn Branch
- 3 Mary Joyce
- 4 Madeline Marshall

**Pre-Preliminary Jumps - Skaters in Event = 3**

- 2 Madeline Marshall
- 3 Mary Joyce

**Pre-Preliminary Moves in the Field - Skaters in Event = 2**

- 1 Brooke Rogers
- 2 Garrett Jensen

### Sooner State Games Results Continued

**Pre-Preliminary Spins - Skaters in Event = 6**

- 1 Katy Palmer
- 3 Tiara Smith
- 4 Madeline Marshall

**Silver Artistic - Skaters in Event = 6**

- 1 Abigail Fain

**Silver Footwork - Skaters in Event = 4**

- 1 Stephen Brower
- 2 Kate Goodwin

**Solo Dance - Cha Cha - Skaters in Event = 1**

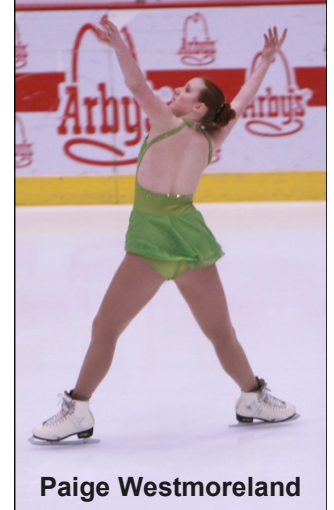
- 1 Brooke Rogers

**Solo Dance - European Waltz - Skaters in Event = 2**

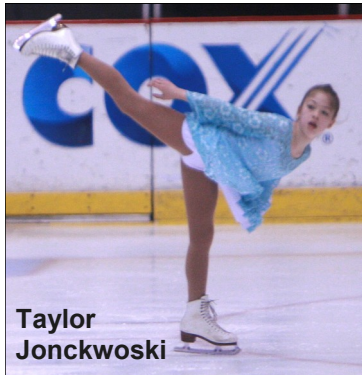
- 1 Alexandria Sipes

**Solo Dance - Willow Waltz - Skaters in Event = 4**

- 1 Chelsea Jones
- 2 Joseph Wilson



Paige Westmoreland



Taylor Jonckwoski



Abby Fain



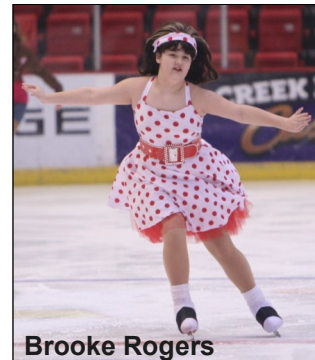
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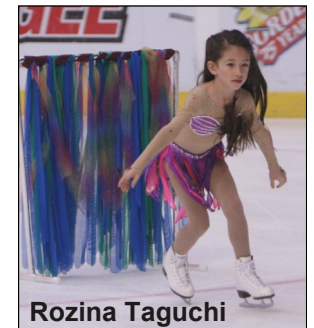
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Carly Rooks



Brooke Rogers



Rozina Taguchi



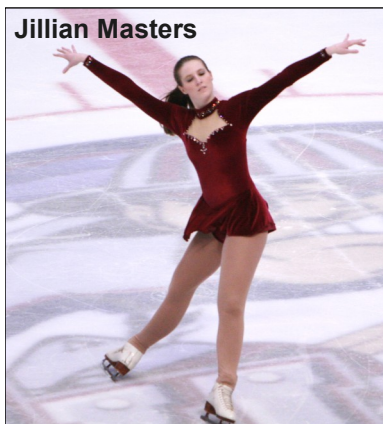
Paige Wheeler



Brittany Schmucker



Megan Banner



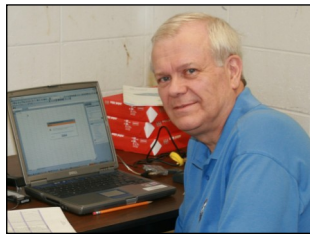
Jillian Masters



East McMillan

Special thanks to Competition Chair, **Jennifer De Angelis** and the numerous club members who volunteered their time and expertise to help organize and run another successful Sooner State Games! We also thank media outlets, **The Tulsa world, KWGS, FOX 23, SportsNight (Cox Channel 3), and 1430 The Buzz** for great coverage of our event. Thanks to Community Development Chair, **Diane Wood** for organizing all the coverage.

We appreciated our sponsors, **Jan McKay of Ethan Allen Interiors, Anne O'Shea of Too Much Fun Key West Vacation Planning, and Neal Sperry of Wachovia** for assisting at the awards stand.



## TFSC 70th Anniversary Platinum Jubilee Celebration and Reception

*February 29th at the Doubletree Hotel, Tulsa*

The reception at the Doubletree Hotel was a great kick off to our Platinum year. The event was attended by numerous club members, past members, coaches and judges. Guests reminisced over the history of the club and predicted a bright future ahead.

A highlight was the reading of the Certificate of Recognition for 70 years of service as a figure Skating Club issued by Mayor Kathy Taylor.



TFSC President John Martens, Platinum Jubilee Chair - Wendy Lissau, Sooner State Games Chair - Jennifer De Angelis, Vice-President - Mary Anne McGivern



**Tulsa Figure Skating Club Past Presidents**  
Pictured left to right, back row- Jack Vest, John Martens, Dr. Hugh Graham, Mary Anne McGivern, Will Smith, front row- Margaret Anne Graham Holt, Rudy Buitink, Hope Wheeler



Skaters left to right - Amanda Sowell, Taylor Jonckowski, Megan Banner, Brittany Schmucker, Jordan Jonckowski, Bailey Slane

## Club News & Events (Continued)

### Spring Flower Fundraiser



**Judy Banner**  
Fundraising  
Chair

The spring flower sale is underway from now until April 7th. Look for instructions and order forms on the figure skating club bulletin board at the Oilers Ice Center. Forms may also be downloaded from the website. NOTE- you will need legal sized paper to print them off.

New this year - WAVE PETUNIAS. These are a special type of petunia designed to be more heat tolerant than traditional petunias. Because they are new and still under patent they cost slightly more than the other flowers.

We are selling 10" hanging baskets of impatiens, begonias, and wave petunias for \$15. Flats will consist of 18 large plants in 4 inch pots. Begonia and impatiens flats sell for \$15. Wave petunia flats will sell for \$18.

**SELLING INCENTIVES:**

- Each skater receives a portion of profit from their sales (usually around \$2 per plant sold) deposited into their skater account to be used on anything skating related.
- For every \$100 of flowers you sell you will receive an entry into a drawing for a gift certificate good for 10 freestyle skating sessions at the Oilers Ice Arena.

### Welcome New Members!

Amanda Stephens  
Olivia Bury  
Emily Enterline  
Laura Bilbruck  
Jean De Angelis

Lynn Stephens  
Debbie Bury  
Cathy Enterline  
Faith Bilbruck  
Sydney Kirkland

### Local Laurels

*Heidi Fain, Test Chair*



Results of the February 29th tests will be published in the next newsletter.

Next test session Tues. night April 15<sup>th</sup> @ Oilers from 6-8 p.m.

**Mark your calendars for the annual membership meeting and Awards Banquet. The tentative date is Sunday May 18th. Watch the club bulletin board and website for more details.**

### Upcoming Skating Seminars

Plans are underway to bring in skating professionals to conduct seminars on spins and on choreography. Look for more details soon on the website and on the club bulletin board. If you have seminar ideas or questions contact Education and Training Chairs Amie Jonckowski and Robbin Sipes at [amie@tulsafsc.com](mailto:amie@tulsafsc.com) or [robbin@tulsafsc.com](mailto:robbin@tulsafsc.com)

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### Club Jackets

We offer two different club jacket designs. Bottom left is a wind suit type jacket. Bottom right is a lighter weight and more fitted design. Both jackets are personalized with the skater's name. Matching pants are available with either design. They are custom jackets so measurements are required. Orders can be taken at any time. The jackets are made by different companies. If you are interested in ordering the wind suit type jacket (bottom left) contact *Kathy Gibson* at [Kathy@tulsafsc.com](mailto:Kathy@tulsafsc.com). For the fitted type jacket, contact *Judy Banner* at [Judy@tulsafsc.com](mailto:Judy@tulsafsc.com).



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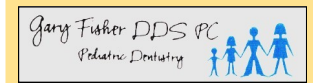
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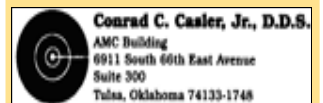
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**Mark Your Calendars**

Saturdays September- May	Club Ice	
April 3-5	<b>Skate Kansas City</b>	Oilers Ice Center 10:15 - 11:45 10:15 Low, 10:45 Mixed, 11:15 High Low (Basic - Preliminary); High (PreJuvenile and up)
April 15	<b>Test Session</b>	Overland Park, KS (Kansas City FSC)
April 24-26	<b>Skate Dallas</b>	Oilers Ice Arena, 6-8 pm Grapevine, TX (Dallas FSC)
May 2-4	<b>Wichita Ice Dance Weekend</b>	Wichita, KS
May 17	<b>Spring Fling Basic Skills Competition</b>	Oilers Ice Arena, Tulsa, OK
June 13-15	<b>Mid-Continent Invitational</b>	Wichita, KS (Wichita FSC)
June 24-29	<b>Broadmoor Open</b>	Colorado Springs, CO (Broadmoor FSC)
July 11-13	<b>Cannon Texas Open</b>	Plano, TX; (Stars FSC)
July 25-27	<b>Skate Oklahoma</b>	Artic Edge Arena, Edmond (Tulsa & OKC FSC)
July 23-26	<b>Skate Detroit</b>	Detroit, MI (Detroit FSC)
July 30 - Aug 2	<b>Lake Placid Dance Competition</b>	Lake Placid, NY
August 1-3	<b>Heart of America Invitational</b>	Overland Park, KS (Silverblades FSC)
August 6-10	<b>Colorado Championship</b>	Arvada, CO (Mile High FSA)
August 6-10	<b>National Showcase</b>	Rochester, MN (Rochester FSC)
August 14-17	<b>Dupage Open</b>	Dupage, IL (Dupage FSC)
August 17	<b>Arctic Edge Open Basic Skills</b>	Arctic Edge Arena, Edmond, OK
Aug 29 - Sep 1	<b>Houston Fall Invitational</b>	Sugarland, TX (Houston FSC)
Sept. 19-21	<b>Pony Express Championships</b>	St. Joseph, MO (St. Joseph FSC)
October 10-14	<b>Southwestern Regional's</b>	Colorado Springs, CO (Broadmoor FSC)
Nov. 14 (tentative)	<b>Blazing Blades Basic Skills</b>	Oklahoma City, OK (Blazers Ice Center)
Nov. 11-15	<b>Midwestern Sectional Championship</b>	Houston, TX (TX Gulf Coast FSC)
Dec. 8-13	<b>Junior National Championship</b>	
January 18-25, 2009	<b>2009 State Farm USFS Championship</b>	Cleveland, OH

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