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## TFSC Welcomes 2009

As we say goodbye to 2008, it cannot be without reflection on the events and people that have shaped our individual lives and skating community as a whole.

Over the course of the year, the Tulsa Figure Skating Club experienced extremes of many sorts with the exciting clinch of a National title by one of our own, countered sharply by the shocking loss of life of another. This year also marked an important milestone for the Club as it celebrated its 70th anniversary, ending with a celebration that brought generations of skaters together.

In between these major events was a year to be celebrated with impressive victories by

skaters of every level, Club parties and activities, new friendships formed and personal goals met.



Young TFSC members take part in the Bridge Program in 2008.

2009 promises to be no less exciting as we prepare for the quickly-approaching competitive season and look forward to an action-packed year of learning

new skills, perfecting old ones and growing together as a Club and community.

From Sooner States Games 2008 that started the year, to the fun and entertainment of the annual Christmas show ending the year, 2008 was a roller coaster ride to be sure.

Whether you wistfully waved goodbye to it— or couldn't see it walk out the door fast enough—we join with you in looking ahead to the future.

As we welcome 2009, we extend our warmest wishes for a prosperous, healthy and happy new year.

“SK8 GR8” in 2009!

— TFSC Board of Governors

## Sooner State Games 2009 Announced Deadline for entries is January 12, 2009

Sooner State Games will launch the 2009 competitive season February 6-8 at the Blazer's Ice Center in Oklahoma City. Event information and registration forms are available online at [www.tulsafsc.com](http://www.tulsafsc.com).

Tentative competition times are as follows:

- Friday, Feb. 6, 2009  
TBA
- Saturday, Feb. 7, 2009  
8:30am–6:00pm
- Sunday, Feb. 8, 2009  
8:00am–2:00pm

All entries must be post-marked or submitted online at [www.tulsafsc.com](http://www.tulsafsc.com) by January 12, 2009. Entry fees start at \$70.00 for the first event and \$30.00 for each additional event. For full details, visit [www.tulsafsc.com](http://www.tulsafsc.com).

# 2008 Blazing Blades Competition Results ~ November 18

## Blazer's Ice Center, Oklahoma City

### Basic Skills 3 - Free Skate - Final Standings

2 Jillian Good

### Basic Skills 7 - Compulsory Moves - Final Standings

1 Laurene Smith

### Basic Skills 7 - Free Skate - Final Standings

1 Laurene Smith

### Basic Skills 8 - Compulsory Moves - Final Standings

2 Riley Phipps

### Basic Skills 8 Group A - Free Skate - Final Stand- ings

3 Riley Phipps

### Freestyle 1 Group A - Free Skate - Final Stand- ings

1 Violet Brinson-Phipps

6 Allison Bruns

### Freestyle 1 Group B - Compulsory Moves - Final Standings

2 Faith Bilbruck

### Freestyle 1 Group B - Free Skate - Final Stand- ings

5 Faith Bilbruck

### Freestyle 1 Group A - Compulsory Moves - Final Standings

1 Violet Brinson-Phipps

4 Allison Bruns

### Freestyle 2 - Compulsory Moves - Final Standings

2 Olivia Bury

3 Hope Kelley

4 Emily Enterline

### Freestyle 2 - Free Skate - Final Standings

4 Hope Kelley

5 Olivia Bury

6 Emily Enterline

### Freestyle 3 Group A - Free Skate - Final Stand- ings

2 Ellie Gilbreath

3 Peyton Lissau

4 April Brinson-Phipps

### Freestyle 3 Group B - Compulsory Moves - Final Standings

2 Annika Reetz

3 Lauren Hendrickson

### Freestyle 3 Group B - Free Skate - Final Stand- ings

1 Lauren Hendrickson

3 Annika Reetz

### Freestyle 3 Group A - Compulsory Moves - Final Standings

1 April Brinson-Phipps

2 Peyton Lissau

5 Ellie Gilbreath

6 Isabel Govett

### Freestyle 4 - Compulsory Moves - Final Standings

1 Hailey Dugan

### Freestyle 4 - Free Skate - Final Standings

1 Hailey Dugan

### High - Artistic - Final Stand- ings

1 Natalie Bashforth

### Low - Artistic - Final Stand- ings

1 Peyton Lissau

4 Lauren Hendrickson

### No-Test - Free Skate - Final Standings

1 Natalie Bashforth

2 Lara Barney

### Preliminary - Free Skate - Final Standings

1 Brooklyn Branch

3 Jennifer Fox

4 Amanda Stephens

### Preliminary Group A - Compulsory Moves - Final Standings

2 Jennifer Fox

3 Kelsey Bedore

4 Amanda Stephens

### Preliminary Group B - Compulsory Moves - Final Standings

2 Brooklyn Branch

### Pre-Preliminary - Spins - Final Standings

1 Natalie Bashforth

### Compulsory Moves - Final Standings

2 Jennifer Fox

3 Kelsey Bedore

4 Amanda Stephens

### Preliminary Group B - Compulsory Moves - Final Standings

2 Brooklyn Branch

### Preliminary - Spins - Final Standings

2 Amanda Stephens

3 Jennifer Fox

### Preliminary Team - Com- pulsory - Final Standings

1 Team A, Jennifer Fox

1 Team A, Brooklyn  
Branch

1 Team A, Amanda  
Stephens

1 Team A, Kelsey Bedore

### Pre-Preliminary - Free Skate - Final Standings

2 Kelsey Bedore

### Pre-Preliminary Group B - Compulsory Moves - Final Standings

1 Lara Barney



Brittany Schmucker and Charles Meadows take a bow at the 2009 US Junior Nationals.



Above: Alexandria Sipes & Stephen Brower perform at Sectionals.  
Below: Having fun!



## 2009 US Junior Nationals held Dec. 8-13 in NY *Schmucker/Meadows Place 9th Overall*

TFSC members and Ice Dance team Brittany Schmucker and Charles Meadows competed in the 2009 US Junior National Championships, placing 9th overall in the final standings.

Held December 8-13, 2008 in Lake Placid, NY, the competition featured qualifying dance teams from around the country.

Final results were as follows:

### Intermediate Compulsory Dance 1

7<sup>th</sup> Brittany Schmucker / Charles Meadows

### Intermediate Compulsory Dance 2

9<sup>th</sup> Brittany Schmucker / Charles Meadows

### Intermediate Free Dance

6<sup>th</sup> Brittany Schmucker / Charles Meadows

### Intermediate Final Results

9<sup>th</sup> Brittany Schmucker / Charles Meadows

Congratulations Brittany and Charles!

## 2009 Midwestern Sectional Championships November 11-15, 2008, Sugarland, TX

Dance teams Alexandria Sipes & Stephen Brower and Brittany Schmucker & Charles Meadows competed in the 2009 Midwestern Sectional Championships November 11-15, 2008 in Sugarland, Texas.

Schmucker and Meadows' final standings qualified them to advance to the 2009 US Junior National Championships. Sipes and Brower qualified as alternates.

### Results were as follows:

#### Intermediate Ice Dance – Compulsory Dance 1

2<sup>nd</sup> Brittany Schmucker / Charles Meadows

#### Intermediate Ice Dance – Compulsory Dance 2

4<sup>th</sup> Brittany Schmucker / Charles Meadows

#### Intermediate Ice Dance – Freedance

6<sup>th</sup> Brittany Schmucker / Charles Meadows

#### Intermediate Ice Dance – Final Results

4<sup>th</sup> Brittany Schmucker / Charles Meadows

\* Advance to US Junior Nationals\*

#### Juvenile Ice Dance – Compulsory Dance 1

5<sup>th</sup> Alexandria Sipes / Stephen Brower

#### Juvenile Ice Dance – Compulsory Dance 2

6<sup>th</sup> Alexandria Sipes / Stephen Brower

#### Juvenile Ice Dance – Freedance

12<sup>th</sup> Alexandria Sipes / Stephen Brower

#### Juvenile Ice Dance – Final Results

9<sup>th</sup> Alexandria Sipes / Stephen Brower

\* Alternate to US Junior Nationals\*

# TFSC Celebrates 70th Anniversary



Above: Members of the Precision Line dance team join in a kickline.

More than 100 past and present members of the TFSC joined together on November 7 for a celebration of the

Club's 70th anniversary.

Held at the Tulsa Country Club, the party brought together generations of skaters, judges and parents from as far away as Florida, Colorado and Texas. Several skaters with the Precision Dance Team reunited as well as an impressive reunion of past Club Presidents.

The celebration capped the Platinum Jubilee year, which

launched with a special reception at the 2008 Sooner State Games. The 70th anniversary of the Club represents a historic achievement for the Tulsa figure skating community as one of the oldest Clubs in the country.



Above: TFSC Past Presidents gather at the Jubilee party.

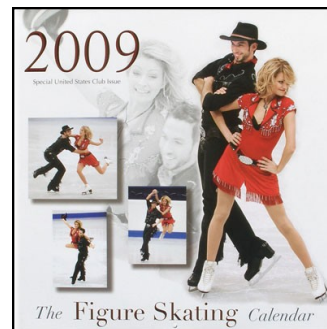
## Bits & Pieces...

### POINSETTIA SALES!

Congratulations to the Club for achieving high sales on this year's poinsettia fundraiser. More than 800 plants were sold with profits exceeding \$2,500. Top sellers were Katherine DeAngelis with 118, Brooke Rogers with 99 and Claire Wood with 86.

### CALENDARS ON SALE

It's 2009! Do you have your calendar yet? Purchase an exclusive Figure Skating Club calendar now for just \$20 by contacting Tammy Palmer at [tammy@tulsafsc.com](mailto:tammy@tulsafsc.com).



### Be in the Spotlight!

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*Send your photos and news to [wendy@tulsafsc.com](mailto:wendy@tulsafsc.com) for inclusion in the TFSC Newsletter! Whether related to skating, school or community, we want to know about your achievements.*

## Upcoming 2009 Competitions

Mark your calendars for these upcoming competitions:

### Sooner State Games

February 6-8, 2009

Blazer's Ice Center

Oklahoma City, OK

[www.tulsafsc.com](http://www.tulsafsc.com)

### Skate Kansas City

April 2-5, 2009

Ice Sports KC

Shawnee, KS

### Skate Dallas

April 24-26, 2009

Polar Ice Star Center

Dallas, TX

### Spring Spectacular

May 2009

Oilers Ice Center

Tulsa, OK

### Broadmoor Open

June 24-28, 2009

June 21—Basic Skills

Colorado Springs, CO

### State Games of America

July 30—August 2, 2009

Colorado Springs World Arena

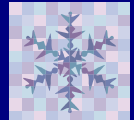
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## Snapshots from....

## *The 2008 Christmas Show ~ December 20th*



## Local Laurels

### November & December Test Results



Congratulations Skaters

Please congratulate the following skaters on passing their tests:

#### Senior Moves

Josiah Curley

#### Novice Moves

Alexandria Sipes

#### Intermediate Moves

Nicole Han

#### Pre-Juvenile Moves

Jordan Jonckowski

Brooke Rogers

#### Preliminary Moves

Natalie Bashforth

Madison Jensen

#### Juvenile Freeskate

Katherine DeAngelis

Michelle Han

Nicole Han

#### Preliminary Freeskate

Madeline Marshall

#### Dutch Waltz

Jessica Hudson

#### Canasta Tango

Jessica Hudson

#### Rhythm Blues

Jessica Hudson

#### Swing Dance

Stephen Brower

Katherine DeAngelis

Abigail Fain

Jessica Hudson

Garrett Jensen

#### Solo Swing Dance

Abigail Fain

Brooke Rogers

#### Cha Cha

Stephen Brower

Katherine DeAngelis

Abigail Fain

Jessica Hudson

Garrett Jensen

#### Solo Cha Cha

Abigail Fain

Brooke Rogers

#### Solo Fiesta Tango

Brooke Rogers

#### Hickory Hoedown

Stephen Brower

#### Solo Hickory Hoedown

Brooke Rogers

#### Willow Waltz

Stephen Brower

#### Ten Fox

Stephen Brower

#### Fourteen Step

Stephen Brower

Alexandria Sipes

Joseph Wilson

Claire Wood

#### Solo Fourteen Step

Alexandria Sipes

Claire Wood

#### Solo European Waltz

Alexandria Sipes

#### Fox Trot

Charles Meadows

Brittany Schmucker

#### Solo Tango

Brittany Schmucker

#### Solo American Waltz

Brittany Schmucker

#### Adult European Waltz

Kathy Gibson

#### Adult Fourteen Step

Kathy Gibson

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