

It's the Holiday Season

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November 2014

DEAR SANTA, I Can

The holiday celebrations are getting into full swing, and so are we. Many of our club members are busy preparing for the holiday showcase December 13th. The theme this year is "Dear Santa, I can explain...". It should be wonderful fun for the whole family. Invite your friends, family, neighbors, and anyone else you can think of to come watch our skaters show off their talents in solos, duets, and ensemble numbers to favorite Christmas songs.

As always, there is no admission cost to the show, but we will collect donations **for the Laura Dester Emergency Children's Shelter**. This is an emergency shelter for children removed from their homes because of abuse or neglect. Many arrive with just the clothes they are wearing, in need of basic necessities. At this time of year when we reflect and give thanks, let's also take a moment to be a blessing to others.

Lastly, we will also be doing silent auction baskets at the show. Contact Mary Lou Robinson (marylou@tulsafsc.com) if you would like to donate a basket to the cause.

Club ice

Thank you to our club ice host families in September and October: the Searcys, the Guthries, the Smiths, and the Florianis. Our December club ice and Christmas party will be Thursday, December 4th at 5:45pm. The last half of the on ice session will be games, then stick around for a pizza party. There is also a Santa hat decorating contest and various prizes. All members, whether skaters, parents, officials, or coaches are encouraged to attend.

TFSC Membership tops 100!

We are continuing to grow. Please join us in welcoming our newest members, and some returning ones, as we move into the triple digits.

- Erika Dugan
- Felicity Dugan
- Jerry Han
- Yi Yu
- Josie Shingleton
- Keri Shingleton
- David Miller
- Joanna Miller



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Poinsettias and Wreaths available this weekend

Thank you to those that participated in our fall fundraiser. All items will be available for pick up Saturday at Jennifer's law office 12:00-1:30, or at the rink Sunday 12:30-2:00, or Tuesday at 4. If none of those times will work for you, please contact Stacy Reaves at 918-527-0514 to arrange pick up.

Jackets, Car magnets

For those who ordered jackets, they should be available for pick up this Saturday morning at the rink. Please contact Angie at angie@tulsafsc.com to make alternate arrangements if that does not work out. Angie also has the TFSC logo car magnets for sale, \$10. You might have noticed a few of them popping up in the parking lot. Get yours today!



Competition News

We are very proud of our competitors who went to Southwestern Regionals in October. Pictured are Ellie and Peyton who both did well in the first round of Intermediate Ladies. Congrats to Ellie on achieving a season's personal best! Josiah competed in Novice Men, placing 3rd and qualifying for the Midwestern Sectionals. Way to go!

Confused about what all this talk of Regionals and Sectionals means? The short version: to qualify to compete at the USFS National Championships in January each year, skaters must first compete and advance in their designated region and then section. Check out a full map of the regions and sections here: <u>http://tulsafsc.com/wp/?page_id=993</u> (Resources \rightarrow USFS Qualifying Structure).



In US skating news, the Grand Prix season is in full swing with four of the six international stops now completed. Next up is France and Japan. US ice dancers Madison Chock and Evan Bates have already clinched a trip to the Grand Prix final next month in Barcelona, Spain. Several other Americans have a chance at making the final during the next two events. Catch the action on icenetwork.com or the next two Sunday afternoons on NBC at 3pm.

Testing corner

The next test session is Saturday, December 6th. The easiest way to sign up is online through EntryEeze.

Important! Test fees will be going up in 2015 to offset rising costs. New sign up forms will be posted to the website after the December test session. *Current rates are unchanged for the December session.*

LOCAL LAURELS - OCTOBER TESTS PASSED

Samantha Overton - Novice Moves Jin Wilson - Masters Adult Gold Moves Kendall Klinowski - Pre-Juvenile Moves Ashley Feeley - Pre-Preliminary Moves and Freeskate Addy Gaines - Pre-Preliminary Moves Tiara Smith - Solo Bronze Dance (Ten Fox, Willow Waltz, Hickory Hoedown) Madeline Searcy - Solo Cha Cha

Have news or photos to share with our members? Send them to Angie Simants (angie@tulsafsc.com). Questions about our club, our history, or our sport? Contact Mary Anne McGivern (maryanne@tulsafsc.com).