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New Membership Season Now Open

Registration for the 2019-2020 season is now open through EntryEeze at <https://comp.entryeeze.com/Membership/Welcome.aspx?cid=6>. EntryEeze includes links to our waivers, releases, consent for medical treatment, SafeSport pledges, and volunteer areas. Please read through these documents carefully as your processed application is your legal acceptance of these waivers and rules. Please make sure to update your coach and tests passed and provide separate/unique email addresses for all parents.

If you are competing or testing at a U.S. Figure Skating sanctioned event that begins on or after July 1, you must renew your membership prior to the application deadline. Please allow ample time for your membership to be processed. **Coaches must complete renewals before July 1** to avoid a late fee penalty and complete a background check and CER requirements. We have also added two new membership categories - for coaches and officials who wish to continue to test and compete in the U.S. Figure Skating system. Requirements include age 18+ and PSA membership (coaches).

If you have not fulfilled your service hours requirement for 2018-2019, you will be unable to register with U.S Figure Skating until you satisfy this obligation. Please contact membership chair Francesca Sichenze-Bryant with any questions through our website at Atlantafsc.com.

2019 - 2020 Board of Directors Election Results; Club Officers

Congratulations to the newly-elected members of the 2019-2020 Board of Directors! Elected were **Kim Detwiler** (Junior), **Kate Gorczyca**, **Amy Kilheffer**, **Brittany Marshall**, and **Soucci Taylor** (all Senior). Many thanks to all of our exceptional candidates! Also remaining on the Board for another year are **Francesca Sichenze Bryant**, (Junior), **Judith Flair** (Senior), **Candace Goodwin** (Junior), **Sharon Hyre**, and **Lori Malthaner** (both Senior).

Officers elected at the June Board meeting were **Sharon Hyre** (President), **Amy Kilheffer** (1st Vice President), **Kate Gorczyca** (2nd Vice President), **Lori Malthaner** (Secretary), and **Judith Flair** (Treasurer). **Candace Goodwin** will assume the Test Chair position from **Tea Junnila**, who served for six years. Additional appointments will be announced at a later date.

Our heartfelt thanks to departing Board members **Tea Junnila**, **Jennifer Latham**, **Tami Mickle**, **John Millier**, **Kathy Shehee**, and **Heather Stables**. Your contributions have been invaluable.



Kim



Kate



Amy



Brittany



Soucci



**Atlanta Open Exhibitions
May 31 and June 7**



Melanie Schael, Bailey Snead (both Intermediate), Triniti Fong (Novice), Sinyee de Clair (Juvenile), Georgia Bolocan (Novice), Amber Homan (Juvenile)



Audrey Latham, Katia Kochengina (both Juvenile), Kaity McGarigle (Intermediate), Frances Umezaki-Oba (Senior)



Amelia Marsh (Preliminary), Varnika Kosaraju (Pre-Preliminary), Sophia Li (Preliminary), Marlowe McIntyre (Pre-Preliminary), Hasita Yalamachili, Emily McDaniel (both Pre-Juvenile), Leanna Jones (Pre-Preliminary).



Aryanna Pecqueur (Pre-Preliminary), Katie Trizzino (Excel High Beginner), Kendra Wang, Violet Ee (both Preliminary)



Nathan Detwiler, Mia Calabrese, Anna Detwiler, Kristen Berner (all No Test)

Congratulations to Our Medalists

GOLD

Kristen Berner
 Elisa Bode
 Mia Calabrese
 Ava Derouin
 Violet Ee
 Ilona Gavryliv
 Madeline Freeman
 Varnika Kosaraju
 Sophia Li
 Emily McDaniel
 Kaitlyn McGarigle
 Asher Pecqueur
 Nancy Ellis Riggs
 Isabella Stanescu
 Soucci Taylor
 Neha Thattikota
 Kendra Wang
 Uliana Yakimovich
 Hanna Zhu

SILVER

Annie Ahlin
 Elisa Bode
 Sinyee De Cleir
 Violet Ee
 Madeline Freeman
 Gia Gulati
 Chloe Malenfant
 Ruhee Patkar
 Nancy Ellis Riggs
 Cathy Sabella
 Katie Trizzino
 Frances Umezaki-Oba

BRONZE

Nathan Detwiler
 Lyla Gorman
 Leanna Jones
 Chloe Malenfant
 Emily McDaniel
 Kaitlyn McGarigle
 Aryanna Pecqueur
 Alexa Phillips
 Melanie Schael
 Frances Umezaki-Oba
 Hasita Yalamanchili

PEWTER

Kristen Berner
 Georgia Bolocan
 Claire Breland
 Mia Calabrese
 Abigail Dale
 Ruhee Patkar
 Isabella Stanescu
 Frances Umezaki-Oba
 Hasita Yalamanchili





ATLANTA OPEN MEMBER RESULTS

June 12 - 15

SENIOR LADIES

Frances Umezaki-Oba	
Combined Final	3rd/7
Free Skate	4th/7
Short Program	2nd/7

NOVICE LADIES

Combined Final	
Georgia Bolocan	6th/14
Triniti Fong	11th/14
Free Skate	
Georgia Bolocan	8th/14
Triniti Fong	10th/14
Short Program	
Georgia Bolocan	4th/14
Triniti Fong	12th/14

INTERMEDIATE LADIES

Kaitlyn McGarigle	
Combined Final	3rd/11
Free Skate	6th/11
Short Program	1st/12
Free Skate, Grp. A, QR	
Sarah Cairo	7th/12
Melanie Schael	9th/12
Free Skate, Grp. B, QR	
Kaitlyn McGarigle	3rd/15
Bailey Snead	8th/15
Short Program, Bonus Round	
Melanie Schael	3rd/16
Sarah Cairo	5th/16
Bailey Snead	6th/16
Elizabeth Douglas	11th/16

JUVENILE GIRLS

Free Skate	
Audrey Latham	7th/15
Katia Kochengina	8th/15
Amber Homan	13th/15
Short Program	
Audrey Latham	6th/12
Emily McDaniel	9th/12
Free Skate, Excel	
Alexa Phillips	3rd/3
Jumps	
Emily McDaniel	1st/1

OPEN JUVENILE LADIES

Free Skate	
Sinyee De Cleir	2nd/6

PRE-JUVENILE GIRLS

Free Skate, Grp. A	
Emily McDaniel	3rd/5
Free Skate, Grp. B	
Elisa Bode	2nd/6
Hasita Yalamanchili	4th/6
Cristanne Goodwin	6th/6
Free Skate, Excel	
Ruhee Patkar	2nd/2
Jumps	
Violet Ee	1st/5
Elisa Bode	5th/5
Compulsory Moves, Grp. B	
Elisa Bode	1st/4
Hasita Yalamanchili	3rd/4
Spins, Grp. A	
Violet Ee	2nd/3

PRELIMINARY GIRLS

Free Skate, Grp. A	
Kendra Wang	1st/6
Violet Ee	5th/6
Free Skate, Grp. C	
Amelia Marsh	5th/7
Hanna Zhu	7th/7
Free Skate, Excel Plus	
Neha Thattikota	1st/3
Free Skate, Excel	
Sophia Li	1st/1
Compulsory Moves, Grp. A	
Aryanna Pecqueur	3rd/5
Brynn Cartagena	5th/5
Jumps	
Hanna Zhu	1st/4
Spins	
Ruhee Patkar	4th/4

PRE-PRELIMINARY GIRLS

Free Skate, Grp. A	
Brynn Cartagena	5th/5
Free Skate, Grp. B	
Aryanna Pecqueur	3rd/5
Free Skate, Grp. C	
Annie Ahlin	2nd/5
Marlowe McIntyre	5th/5
Free Skate, Grp. D	
Varnika Kosaraju	1st/7
Leanna Jones	3rd/7
Free Skate, Excel	
Sona Durairaj	7th/7

PRE-PRELIMINARY BOYS

Free Skate	
Asher Pecqueur	1st/1
NO TEST GIRLS	
Free Skate, Grp. A	
Kristen Berner	4th/4
Free Skate, Grp. B	
Chloe Malenfant	3rd/5
Anna Detwiler	5th/5
Free Skate, Grp. C	
Mia Calabrese	4th/5
Jumps	
Mia Calabrese	1st/6
Kristen Berner	6th/6
Compulsory Moves	
Kristen Berner	1st/3
Chloe Malenfant	2nd/3
Light Entertainment	
Abigail Dale	4th/4
Duets	
Isabella Stanescu/ Ilona Gavryliv	1st/1



SOLO DANCE PATTERN DANCE INTERNATIONAL

Soucci Taylor	1st/3
Rumba	1st/3
Tango Romantica	1st/3
SILVER	
Madeline Freeman	1st/3
American Waltz	1st/3
Tango	1st/3

SENIOR COMBINED

Soucci Taylor	6th/10
Free Dance	7th/10
Rhythm Dance	6th/10

JUNIOR COMBINED

Madeline Freeman	2nd/4
Free Dance	2nd/4
Rhythm Dance	1st/4

NO TEST BOYS

Free Skate

Nathan Detwiler 3rd/4

HIGH BEGINNER GIRLS

Free Skate, Excel, Grp. A

Iiona Gavryliv 1st/6
Gia Gulati 2nd/6
Isabella Stanescu 4th/6
Abigail Dale 5th/6

Free Skate, Excel, Grp. B

Katie Trizzino 2nd/6
Grayson Snow 6th/6

BEGINNER GIRLS

Free Skate, Excel, Grp. A

Ava Derouin 1st/6

Free Skate, Excel, Grp. B

Uliana Yakimovich 1st/6
Lyla Gorman 3rd/6
Claire Breland 4th/6

ADULT SILVER LADIES

Free Skate

Nancy Ellis Riggs 2nd/2

Dramatic Entertainment

Nancy Ellis Riggs 1st/1

ADULT PRE-BRONZE LADIES

Free Skate

Cathy Sabella 2nd/2



Madeline



Kendra



FOR ANOTHER SUCCESSFUL ATLANTA OPEN!

More than 265 skaters participated in the 2019 Atlanta Open, representing 41 U.S. Figure Skating clubs, 5 rinks, and 17 states from New York to Florida and west to Utah and Washington. More than 45 skaters competed in the National Solo Dance Series events.

Thank you to our extraordinary Chief Referee, **Rick Perez**, and to our tireless officials and volunteers, especially to Competitions Chair **Sharon Hyre**, Atlanta Open Co-Chairs **Lori Malthaner** and **Tea Junnila**, and the LOC chairs.

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| Sarah Bolocan | Kate Gorczyca | Janet Payne |
| Dave Calabrese | Catherine Hackney | Todd Pettigrew |
| Heidi Calabrese | Elvira Junnila | Andrea Rafanelli |
| Paul Detwiler | Jennifer Latham | Kathy Shehee |
| Kim Detwiler | Pam Palmer | Heather Stables |
| Candace Goodwin | | |



Emily



Aryanna

In addition to Board of Director members who devoted countless service hours, we applaud members and non-members who went above and beyond: the **Bolocan** family, the **Calabrese** family, **Elvira Junnila**, **Janet Payne**, **Todd Pettigrew**, and **John Richardson**. Special thanks to **Judith Flair** for ensuring our mobile devices were operational; to **Jennifer Latham** for handling coaches hospitality; and to **Candace Goodwin** for manning runners.

Thanks to all who sent photos and to **Denise Snead** for the decorative Plexiglass coverings for the banners in the rinks!



Kendra (center)



Cathy and Coach Eric



Audrey



Coach Anya, Aryanna



Emily and Audrey



Nathan and Coach Tori



Ava (2nd from left)



Uliana, Lyla, Claire



Elisa, Emily, Hasita



Sinyee, Elisa, Hasita, Marlowe



Elisa, Coach Eric



Amelia



Coach Chrissy



Kaity, Coach Anya, Aryanna, Melanie, Asher, Coach Tori



Kaity (center)



Madeline, Coach Graham



Emily



Coach Cheryl, Coach Debbie, Kaity, Coach Anya



Kathy, Judge Rick (birthday!)



Madeline (2nd from right)



Ava, Coach Eric



Kaity (2nd from right)



Anna


 And the Winner is...

The winner of the "Golden Hanger Award," generously donated by **Sarah Bolocan**, is **Heidi Calabrese**, whose family performed more than 70 service hours at the Atlanta Open! Heidi and Dave manned ice monitors for the entire competition. Sarah will design a dress for Mia. Thank you for your continued support of our competitions and congratulations, Heidi!



Coach Pam, Gia, Coach Tami



Gia, Ilona, Isabella (right)

Susan Johnson Trophy

Congratulations to **Grace Perkins** of Champions Edge SC in Wesley Chapel, Florida who won the Susan Johnson Trophy by achieving the highest component score for the Intermediate level initial round. This award debuted at the 2017 Atlanta Open in honor of life member and World judge Susan Johnson. This year U.S. Figure Skating posthumously named Susan an honorary national judge.



Judge Sharon, Grace, Chief Referee Rick



Susan Johnson (1937 - 2018)



A life member of the Atlanta Figure Skating Club, Susan Johnson was the club's first competition judge (1970), its first international judge (1984), and a World ISU judge (1993). She officiated at hundreds of domestic and more than 50 international competitions, including three World Championships and the 1998 Olympic Winter Games in Nagano, Japan.

Susan was a National singles/pairs, National synchronized skating, Gold moves, Gold figures, and Silver dance judge as well as a Regional referee and technical controller. In 2007 she was awarded the ISU Gold Award of Merit in recognition of her valuable contributions to skating. In 2016, she celebrated her 60th anniversary as a U.S. Figure Skating official.

She also served U.S. Figure Skating as chair of the Judges Committee and the Competitions Committee and was co-chair of the 1980 U.S. Championships in Atlanta and a member of the LOC for the 2004 U.S. Championships in Atlanta.

Susan served on the Atlanta Figure Skating Club's Board of Directors for sixteen years; as Test Chair for nine years; as originator and editor of the Club's newsletter, the *Freestyler*, and as Club president for two years.



Sophia



Melanie



Coach Robert, Georgia



Cathy, Triniti, Georgia



Ava, Gia



Kristen, Coach Tami



Triniti, Amber, Georgia



Triniti, Bailey, Frances, Elvira



Triniti, Georgia



Coach Anya, Katie



Alice, Georgia, Avery



Kristen



Audrey

Tear down crew!



June/July, 2019

2019 Awards Banquet - May 19



Outstanding Senior Skater
Breele Taylor



Outstanding Junior Skater
Kaitlyn McGarigle



Outstanding Freshman Skater
Audrey Latham



Bruce Stultz Silver Blade Award
Hasita Yalamanchili

More than 60 members attended the 2019 Awards Banquet at Knock Music House. Thank you to our chairs **Christine Nix** and **Nikki Edwards** for organizing this event, and congratulations to all of our fabulous award winners!



Judy Williams Test Award
Katia Kochengina



Lewis Elkin Dance Award
Breele Taylor



Joann Oehlert Spirit Award
Kim Detwiler



Rud Ellis President's Award
Tami Mickle



Adult Skater of the Year
Heather Stables



Pinky Ager Coach Award
Eric Bohnstedt



Golden Boot Award
Heidi and Dave Calabrese



Scholarship Recipients

Nastasia Rozenberg
(pictured left)

Isabel Schaum

Lily Xie



NOT PRESENT:

U.S. Figure Skating Gold Medalist

PJ Whalen

Lucille Morgan Judges Award

Marc Galonsky





Thanks to everyone who sent photos!







SPOTLIGHT SKATER

Katie Palmer

What are your favorite and least favorite elements?

Favorite elements are Axel and flying camel spin. Least favorite element is double loop because it's very challenging for me.

Competitive highlights, favorite program?

My favorite program is my current Intermediate short program. The music is from the Pink Panther, but it is done in a techno style and is very different from what you normally hear at competitions.

Who is your favorite skater?

Alysa Liu is my favorite skater because she is young and very accomplished. Her success drives me to work hard and be my best.

What is the most memorable event of your skating career?

Landing my Axel in competition for the first time

If I weren't a skater, I would have been

A cheerleader or a softball player

Tell us about your school and extra-curricular activities.

I am a rising 8th grader at Rivers Academy in Alpharetta. My favorite subjects are science and Spanish. I am a member of the Cross Country team and am on the academic Dean's list.

My family and I participate in many community activities. A few recent examples are a blanket drive at the Cherokee County Senior Center, volunteering at Must Ministries, and contributing to Angels Among Us Pet Rescue.

Best advice I ever received

"Slow down and breathe." – My coach, Brittany Marshall

What famous person would you most like to meet?

Billie Eilish (singer) because she is one of my favorite artists. She is only 17 and has had great success in her career so far.

Tell us about your family, other hobbies, pets.

I have two dogs, Opal and Sammy, that I love spending time with while I am at home.

Who would you choose to play you in the movie of your life?

Me, because then I would know for sure that the story would be told correctly!

If I were stranded on a desert island, I would have to have:

Food, water, and a first aid kit

What are your future skating and educational goals?

I would like to pass all my free skate, moves and dance tests before I graduate high school.

I would like to have a career in skating – skate for Disney on Ice and then become involved in coaching. I plan on attending college and will continue to skate as long as I can.

My favorite things are

Skating, dogs, and sleeping

Whom do you most admire?

The person that I admire most is my primary skating coach, Brittany Marshall. She worked hard and overcame many obstacles during her skating career. She has a great work ethic, is a caring person, and an excellent role model for her skaters.

Favorite word: Beach, because that is my happy place

Least favorite word: No

What turns me off: Rude people

Favorite food: Butter Croissant

Least favorite food: Brussel sprouts

Favorite TV show: "Riverdale"

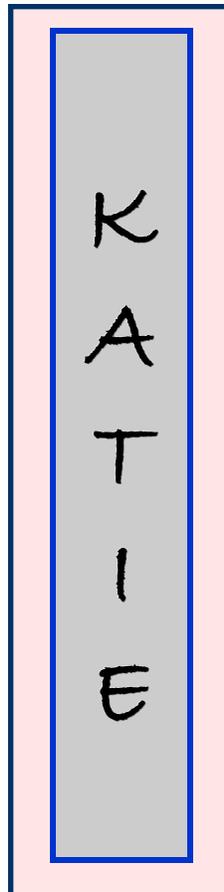
Favorite color: Yellow

Pet peeve: Sneezing / coughing without covering your mouth

Favorite vacation: National Geographic Galapagos Island Adventure during New Year's break in 2017

I would never want to be: Educator, because they work extremely hard and do not receive enough praise or respect

Three words that best describe or characterize me: Competitive, dedicated and friendly





2019 Ice Dance Weekend

May 31 - June 2

The 2019 Ice Dance Weekend on May 31 - June 2 was a fabulous success thanks to Chair **Laurie Sanii** and coach **Graham Payne!** Forty-six skaters from 12 states and Canada registered, and the Friday night theme was "The Roaring 20's."

Many thanks to our volunteers: **Kathy Shehee** and **Janet Payne** for the wonderful meal preparation and service, **Todd Pettigrew** for music editing and Meg Ansteensen of Little Phish Foto.

Several videos are posted on the Atlanta Ice Dance Weekend Facebook page, and photos will be posted soon.



National Qualifying Series - Eastern Section



2019 U.S. Figure Skating National Qualifying Series Competitions: Singles
Deadline to enter the overall NQS with U.S. Figure Skating - May 28, 2019

All athletes then choose any competitions they want to enter, and enter them directly. There is no minimum and maximum number of competitions skaters must enter, and no restrictions on location. Only the skater's highest Total Score counts towards sectional and national ranking. Also Note: All athletes must still enter the qualifying system by 9/1 to continue through to the Regional Singles Challenge / Sectional Singles Final.

Competition Name	Host Club	Section	Region	StartDate	EndDate	Discipline
2019 Atlanta Open	Atlanta FSC	Eastern	South Atlantic	6/12	6/15	Singles
2019 Lake Placid Figure Skating Championships	The SC of Lake Placid	Eastern	North Atlantic	6/27	6/30	Singles
Orange Blossom Open	Tampa Bay SC	Eastern	South Atlantic	7/5	7/6	Singles
Dogwood Open	Triangle FSC	Eastern	South Atlantic	7/12	7/15	Singles
Skate Wilmington 2019	The SC of Wilmington, Inc	Eastern	South Atlantic	7/17	7/21	Singles
Philadelphia Summer Championships	IceWorks SC	Eastern	South Atlantic	7/30	8/3	Singles
2019 Cranberry Open	Yarmouth Ice Club, Inc.	Eastern	New England	8/7	8/10	Singles
2019 Hershey Open	Hershey FSC	Eastern	South Atlantic	8/7	8/11	Singles
Potomac Open	Washington FSC	Eastern	South Atlantic	8/16	8/18	Singles
2019 Moran Memorial Championships	Ice House Of New Jersey FSC	Eastern	North Atlantic	8/23	8/25	Singles
Providence Open and Little New England Championships	Pawtucket & Providence FSC	Eastern	New England	9/5	9/8	Singles
The 94th Annual Middle Atlantic Championships	The SC of New York, Inc.	Eastern	North Atlantic	9/5	9/8	Singles
2019 Southwest Florida Fall Classic	Southwest Florida FSC	Eastern	South Atlantic	9/12	9/15	Singles



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**Are you eligible to receive funding for the
2019-20 competitive skating season?**

MEMORIAL FUND COMPETITIVE SKATERS ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (CSAP) – Open to juvenile-senior level skaters who have placed sixth or higher at the U.S. Figure Skating Championships. The deadline to apply is August 30.

MEMORIAL FUND ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM (ASP) – Open to current and former skaters who are enrolled at an accredited college or university and are still actively involved in the sport of figure skating. The deadline to apply is August 30.

U.S. FIGURE SKATING SCHOLASTIC HONORS TEAM – Open to novice-senior level skaters entering their junior or senior year of high school in the fall of 2018. The deadline to apply is September 13.

JOYCE KOMPERDA ATHLETE SUPPORT FUND – Open to intermediate-junior level singles, pairs and ice dance athletes. The deadline to apply is August 30.

MEMORIAL FUND RISE YOUTH ESSAY CONTEST – Open to skaters at pre-preliminary, preliminary, pre-juvenile and juvenile levels. The deadline to apply is August 30.

BUCH FAMILY ACADEMIC GRANT SCHOLARSHIP – Open to skaters at the novice-senior level currently enrolled at an accredited college or university. The deadline to apply is August 30.

All applications and information can be found at www.USFigureSkating.org/AthleteFunding.

Tests Passed

MAY		JUNE	
Olivia Kim	Novice Free Skate	Audrey Kate Johnson	Junior Moves*
Katie Palmer	Novice Moves	Triniti Fong	Novice Free Skate
Sinyee deCleir	Intermediate Moves	Sarah Cairo	Intermediate Free Skate
Iris Liu	Juvenile Free Skate		Foxtrot
Riya Kinnarkar	Intermediate Moves		European Waltz
Serena Shang	Intermediate Moves	Amber Homan	Juvenile Free Skate
Hasita Yalamanchili	Intermediate Moves	Soucci Taylor	Silver Samba
Audrey Kate Johnson	Intermediate Free Dance	Triniti Fong	Blues
	Juvenile Free Dance		Kilian
Madelaine Casey	Juvenile Moves	Frances Umezaki-Oba	Westminster Waltz
Amelia Marsh	Juvenile Moves		Quickstep
Grace Xie	Pre-Juvenile Moves	Tiffany Hatzikoutelis	Tango
Lucia Baumgartner	Preliminary Moves	Amy Kilheffer	American Waltz - Adult
Anna Detwiler	Preliminary Moves		Rocker Foxtrot - Adult
Nathan Detwiler	Preliminary Moves	Katia Kochengina	Fourteenstep
Brynn Cartagena	Pre-Preliminary Free Skate	Zoe Silvia	Foxtrot
Berkeley Williams	Pre-Preliminary Free Skate	Cristanne Goodwin	Dutch Waltz
Alexis Chiang	Pre-Preliminary Moves		Canasta Tango
Madelaine Casey	Fiesta Tango		Rhythm Blues
Katie Palmer	Ten Fox	Hanna Zhu	Preliminary Free Skate
Katia Kochengina	Ten Fox	Lillian Wood	Preliminary Free Skate
Kaity McGarigle	Cha Cha*	Ilona Gavryliv	Preliminary Moves
	Swing Dance	Vanessa Solorzano	Preliminary Moves
Bailey Snead	Swing Dance*	Caroline Crooks	Pre-Preliminary Moves
	Fiesta Tango*	Medha Thattikota	Pre-Preliminary Moves
		Uliana Yakimovich	Pre-Preliminary Moves

*With honors



To **Lori Malthaner**, who was appointed to serve as the U.S. Figure Skating South Atlantic Regional Vice Chair of the Judge's Committee for Singles and Pairs.

National Qualifying Series Rankings; Regionals, Sectionals Dates

Rankings for the National Qualifying Series can be accessed through U.S. Figure Skating's EMS system by signing into your USFS account through "Members Only." Click on the EMS logo, then click on "Series Information", and "Standings."

The top six athletes in each section will earn a bye to the Sectionals Singles Final. The South Atlantic Regional Singles and Eastern Sectionals Dance/Pairs Challenge will be held on October 2 - 6 in Aston, PA. The Eastern Section Singles Final and U.S. Dance Final will be held on November 12 - 16 in Hyannis, MA. Registration will be open from July 15 - September 1, 2019 for all competitors.

Please note that participation in regional events does NOT require participation in the NQS. All skaters may compete at the regional events.

May Day Open
Gardens FSC, Laurel, MD
May 9 - 11

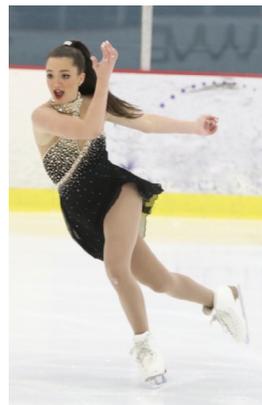


NATIONAL SOLO DANCE **NSDS Silver Pattern Dance**

Madeline Freeman 3rd/6

NSDS Junior Combined

Madeline Freeman 4th/10



2019

The Year in Review

We hosted two successful competitions:

- * 2019 Magnolia Open in March with 150 competitors
- * 2019 Atlanta Open in June with 269 competitors; selected as U.S. Figure Skating National Qualifying Series and National Solo Dance Series event.

More than 100 of our skaters took 239 U.S. Figure Skating tests with an 86% pass rate.

We were well-represented at U.S. Figure Skating events: Two members (Tim Dolensky and Breele Taylor) competed at the 2019 U.S. Championships, finishing 6th and 10th, respectively; Heather Stables medaled at Eastern Adult Sectionals and qualified for the final round at the U.S. Adult Championships; Nastasia Rozenberg and Cristanne Goodwin qualified for National Showcase; Madeline Freeman and Soucci Taylor qualified for the National Solo Dance Final with Madeline winning pewter; and 20 members competed at the South Atlantic Regional Championships with nine qualifying for final rounds and three (Tim Dolensky, Kaitlyn McGarigle, and Breele Taylor) competing at the Eastern and Pacific Coast Sectional Championships. Georgia Bolocan, Katia Kochengina, Kaitlyn McGarigle, and Masha Poljanycka were presented with U.S. Figure Skating Special Achievement awards at Regionals.

Tim Dolensky represented the country at two international competitions and won the inaugural Peggy Fleming trophy for artistry. He announced his retirement from competitive skating in May.

We hosted two non-Club Ice special events:

- * Annual Awards Banquet in May with more than 60 members in attendance. We honored 12 award winners, one Gold Medalist, and three scholarship recipients. We recognized seven members graduating from high school.
- * 12th Annual Ice Dance Weekend in June with 46 participants

We sponsored a spring ice show, "Rockin' Ice Radio," in April with special guests 2019 U.S. Ladies gold medalist Alysa Liu, U.S. Championships competitors Breele Taylor and Tyler Vollmer, and U.S. Adult Championships medalist Davin Grindstaff. Among the 50 member performers were seven soloists and five featured skaters.

We hosted seven Club Ice special events:

- * Back To School Bookworms (August)
- * Regional Championships send-off party (September)
- * MishMashed Potatoes Monster Mash Costume Party (October)
- * Sectional Championships exhibition (November)
- * New Year's Resolutions/Bring A Friend (January)
- * Greek Gods and Goddesses (February)
- * Adults Only Club Ice (March)
- * Our skaters performed 65 exhibitions during Club Ice for National Showcase, Pacific Coast and Eastern Sectional Championships, South Atlantic Regional Championships, Magnolia Open, and Atlanta Open.

More than 40 of our skaters participated in the tree lighting ceremonies and exhibitions at Atlantic Station and Avalon in November.

Six of our judges (Helena Fisher, Marc Galonsky, Dana Graham, Lori Malthaner, Breele Taylor, and Soucci Taylor) earned U.S. Figure Skating testing/competition appointments; Susan Johnson, Marie Pearce, and Lee Schaffer were recognized posthumously as honorary national judges; and Lori Malthaner was named a U.S. Figure Skating Regional Vice Chair on the Judges Committee. Eight of our judges (Dana Graham, Catherine Hackney, Sharon Hyre, Gloria Lewis, Lori Malthaner, Terri Maurice, John Millier, and Sara Stephens) officiated at 11 U.S. Figure Skating and international competitions, and John Richardson was assigned as an announcer at the U.S. Championships. Sue Harmon celebrated her 25th anniversary as a judge.

Coach Cheryl Faust earned a PSA President's Excellence Award.

Two adults, Josie Castracane and Cathy Sabella, completed the U.S. Figure Skating Skater Forever Strong Challenge, and Nancy Ellis Riggs was recognized as a U.S. Figure Skating Lifetime competitor.

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Upcoming Events

<u>EVENT</u>	<u>DATES</u>	<u>SPONSOR/LOCATION</u>
Orange Blossom Open	July 5 - 7	Tampa Bay SC, Oldsmar, FL
Dogwood Open	July 12 - 14	Triangle FSC, Raleigh, NC
Skate Detroit	July 23 - 27	Detroit SC, Bloomfield Hills, MI
Magic City Ice Classic	July 26 - 28	Birmingham FSC, Pelham, AL
Philadelphia Summer Championships*	July 29 - August 3	Ice Works, SC, Aston, PA
Lake Placid Ice Dance Championships	July 30 - August 2	Lake Placid SC, Lake Placid, NY
Scott Hamilton Invitational	August 2 - 4	Scott Hamilton SC, Antioch, TN