

FALLING LEAVES CLASSIC

Hosted by the Skating Club of Novi

OCTOBER 13-15, 2005

**Sanctioned by U.S.F.S.
NOVI ICE ARENA
42400 ARENA DRIVE
NOVI, MI 48375**

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ENTRY DEADLINE: SEPTEMBER 1, 2005

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**OFFICIAL ANNOUNCEMENT
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The Falling Leaves Classic will be held at the Novi Ice Arena, 42400 Arena Drive, Novi, MI, 48375 on October 13-15, 2005. The competition has been sanctioned by the U.S.F.S. and will be conducted in accordance with the rules set forth in the 2005 edition of the U.S.F.S. rulebook. Juvenile and Open-Juvenile Short Programs are as stated in the announcement. Intermediate, Novice, Junior and Senior Short Programs will be those announced by the U.S.F.S. for 2005-2006 and/or at the May 2005 Governing Council meeting. Freestyle events will follow the 2005-2006 Singles Free Skating Guidelines for the 6.0 System.

ELIGIBILITY: The competition is open to all eligible and re-instated skaters who are U.S.F.S. members and shall be qualified to enter events based on their test status as of September 1, 2005. Low Beginner, High Beginner, Pre-Preliminary, Preliminary and Pre-Juvenile skaters will be grouped by birth date.

EVENTS: All Freestyle events will be final rounds.

Juvenile, Intermediate, Novice, Junior and Senior Short Program and Freestyle events will not be combined events.

AWARDS: Medals will be awarded for first, second, third and fourth places.

ENTRIES AND FEES: All entries must be postmarked no later than September 1, 2005. **Space may be limited.** Applications will be processed on a first-come first-served basis. Late entries will be accepted by the discretion of the committee and will include an additional late fee of \$25.00. Entry fees are per person, per event and payable in U.S. Dollars only. **There will be a \$25.00 service fee assessed if the skater enters the wrong event and has to be changed.** There will also be a \$25.00 service fee assessed for returned/NSF checks. Fees are as follows:

\$65.00 First Event

\$30.00 Each Additional Event

Entry forms must be filled out completely and mailed along with entry fees made payable to SKATING CLUB OF NOVI. **Be sure to include a self-addressed, stamped business size envelope with your entry form to receive your event confirmation.** Mail applications to:

**FALLING LEAVES CLASSIC
C/O MARY LYNN SWINTON
3100 VIKING DRIVE
WALLED LAKE, MI 48390**

REFUNDS: No refunds will be issued after the closing date unless the event is cancelled for lack of participation. Two entries constitute a competition in any event. **NO REFUNDS WILL BE GIVEN FOR ANY OTHER REASON, INCLUDING MEDICAL.**

PRACTICE ICE: Practice ice will be available to the competitors at a fee of \$10.00 per session. Practice ice information will be mailed with skater's competition times. Music will not be played on any practice session.

REGISTRATION: The official registration desk will be open one hour prior to the start of competition and remain open until the close of competition on October 15, 2005 **Competitors must check in at the registration desk at least one hour prior to their event or they will not be allowed on the competition ice.**

OFFICIAL NOTICES: An official bulletin board will be maintained in the lobby of the Novi Ice Arena. Posted schedules and announcements thereon shall constitute sufficient notice to competitors, coaches, chaperones and officials.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS: A proposed schedule and available practice ice times will be mailed to each competitor as soon as possible after entry closing. Check the official bulletin board immediately upon arrival for any changes. No admission fee will be charged.

OFFICIAL ARENA: The competition will be held at the Novi Ice Arena, 42400 Arena Drive, Novi, MI 48375, which has two ice surfaces each measuring 200' x 85'. Parking, dressing rooms, and snack bar facilities are available at the arena. A large vendor exhibition area will be inside the arena.

MUSIC: Music will be reproduced through the arena system on cassettes/CDs furnished by each competitor at registration. All cassettes/CDs must be clearly marked with name, event and actual time of the music on the side to be played. Damaged or improperly marked cassettes/CDs or practice cassettes/CDs will not be accepted. C-10 or C-20 TAPES ARE PREFERRED. CASSETTES MUST BE REWOUND AND READY TO PLAY. Competitors must have a suitable emergency back-up at rink side during his/her event.

VIDEO/PHOTOGRAPHY: Videotaping will be provided by *Ledin Photo and Video*. Award pictures will also be taken immediately following presentation of medals.

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COMPETITION EVENTS AND ELIGIBILITY

FREESTYLE:

All events will be skated on the full ice surface to the music of the skater's selection. There will be a ten second leeway in the specified time limit (freestyle only). Skaters may compete one level higher than their current test level.

LOW BEGINNER.....(Time: 1 ½ minutes) Open to skaters who have NOT passed the U.S.F.S. Pre-Preliminary Test. Maneuvers to include any ½ revolution jumps plus salchows, toe loops, half loops. Program may NOT include flying spins, combination spins or back spins.

HIGH BEGINNER.....(Time: 1 ½ minutes) Open to skaters who have NOT passed the U.S.F.S. Pre-Preliminary Freestyle Test. May include any ½ revolution jumps plus salchows, toe loops, half-loops and loops. Axels and flying spins not allowed.

PRE-PRELIMINARY LIMITED.....(Time: 1 ½ minutes) Open to skaters who have passed U.S.F.S. Pre-Preliminary Freestyle Test and no higher. There may be only single revolution jumps in the program. Program may not include axels. No double jumps or flying spins allowed.

PRE-PRELIMINARY.....(Time: 1 ½ minutes) Open to skaters who have passed U.S.F.S. Pre-Preliminary Freestyle Test and no higher. There may be only single revolution jumps in the program. Program may include axels. No double jumps or flying spins allowed.

PRELIMINARY LIMITED.....(Time: 1 ½ minutes) Open to skaters who have passed the U.S.F.S. Preliminary Freestyle Test and no higher. Program may include axels but may NOT contain any double jumps or flying spins.

PRELIMINARY(Time: 1 ½ minutes) Open to skaters who have passed the U.S.F.S. Preliminary Freestyle Test and no higher. Program may contain axels, double jumps and flying spins. Only (2) different double jumps are allowed, but may be repeated either as individual jumps or in a sequence or combination.

PRE-JUVENILE.....(Time: 2 minutes) Open to skaters who have passed the U.S.F.S. Pre-Juvenile Freestyle Test and no higher. Only (4) different double jumps are allowed, but may be repeated either as individual jumps or in a sequence or combination.

OPEN-JUVENILE.....(Time: 2 minutes 15 seconds) Open to skaters who have passed the U.S.F.S. Juvenile Freestyle test and no higher. Skaters HAVE reached the age of 13 by September 1, 2005.

JUVENILE.....(Time: 2 minutes 15 seconds) Open to skaters who have passed the U.S.F.S. Juvenile Freestyle Test and no higher. Skaters HAVE NOT reached the age of 13 by September 1, 2005.

INTERMEDIATE.....(Time: 2 ½ minutes) Open to skaters who have passed the U.S.F.S. Intermediate Freestyle Test and no higher.

NOVICE.....(Time: 3 minutes Ladies 3 ½ minutes Men) Open to skaters who have passed the U.S.F.S. Novice Freestyle Test and no higher.

JUNIOR.....(Time: Ladies - 3 1/2 minutes, Men 4 minutes) Open to skaters who have passed the U.S.F.S. Junior Freestyle Test and no higher.

SENIOR.....(Time: Ladies - 4 Minutes, Men - 4 ½ minutes) Open to skaters who have passed the U.S.F.S. Senior Freestyle Test.

ADULT: Open to skaters who are 21 years old or older. Categories and tests passed as follows:

ADULT PRE-BRONZE.....(Time: 1 min 40 secs max.) Skaters must have passed the Adult Pre-Bronze Freestyle Test and no higher than Pre- Preliminary Figure. No axels or double jumps.

ADULT BRONZE.....(Time: 1 min 40 secs max.) Skaters must have passed the Adult Bronze Freestyle Test and no higher than Preliminary Figure. No axels or double jumps.

ADULT SILVER.....(Time: 2 min 10 secs max.) Skaters must have passed at least the Adult Silver Freestyle Test and no higher than the Juvenile Freestyle test. No double jumps. Axels are permitted.

ADULT GOLD.....(Time 2 mins 40 secs max.) Skaters must have passed at least the Adult Gold Freestyle Test and no higher than the Intermediate Freestyle Test. No restriction as to jumps allowed.

SHORT PROGRAM:

All Short Programs will be skated with music on full ice. Skaters may skate up one level, but may enter only one Short Program event. Time limits are absolute maximums, but may be less provided all required elements are included. **Changes passed at the May 2005 Governing Council will be allowed.**

OPEN-JUVENILE.... (Time: 2 minutes or less) Skaters who have passed the U.S.F.S. Juvenile Freestyle Test and no higher. Skaters HAVE reached the age of 13 by September 1, 2005.

Required elements:

- ☞☞ Axel (May not be repeated in the combination)
- ☞☞ One jump combination consisting of one single jump and one double jump or two double jumps.
- ☞☞ Solo spin – Minimum 4 revolutions in position. May not be commenced with a jump.
- ☞☞ Spin combination with only one change of foot and one change of position. Minimum 4 revolutions each foot.
- ☞☞ Step sequence (straight line, circular or serpentine).
- ☞☞ Double Jump (May not be repeated in the combination)

JUVENILE..... (Time: 2 minutes or less) Skaters who have passed U.S.F.S. Juvenile Freestyle Test and no higher. Skaters HAVE NOT reached the age of 13 by September 1, 2005.

Required elements:

- ☞☞ Axel (May not be repeated in the combination)
- ☞☞ One jump combination consisting of one single jump and one double jump or two double jumps
- ☞☞ Solo spin – Minimum 4 revolutions in position. May not be commenced with a jump.
- ☞☞ Spin combination with only one change of foot and one change of position. Minimum 4 revolutions each foot.
- ☞☞ Step sequence (straight line, circular or serpentine).
- ☞☞ Double Jump (May not be repeated in the combination)

INTERMEDIATE...(Time: 2 minutes) Skaters who have passed the U.S.F.S. Intermediate Freestyle Test and no higher. Required elements as per Rules 3671 and 3672 in the U.S.F.S. rulebook.

NOVICE.....(Time: 2 minutes 30 seconds or less) Skaters who have passed the U.S.F.S. Novice Freestyle Test and no higher. Required elements as per Rules 3661 and 3662 in the 2005 U.S.F.S. rulebook.

JUNIOR.....(Time: 2 minutes 50 seconds or less) Skaters who have passed the U.S.F.S. Junior Freestyle Test and no higher. Required elements as per SSR Rules 3651 and 3652 in the 2005 U.S.F.S. rulebook.

SENIOR.....(Time: 2 minutes 50 seconds or less) Skaters who have passed the U.S.F.S. Senior Freestyle Test. Required elements as per Rules 3641 and 3642 in the 2005 U.S.F.S. rulebook.

COMPULSORY MOVES:

All events shall be skated without music, in a program form using ½ the ice surface. **Skaters may not exceed the stated time limit.** Test requirements for compulsory moves are the same as the freestyle level indicated. Skaters may skate up one level but may not skate at more than one level. Axel is considered a single jump. Boys and girls may skate in combined events if numbers warrant.

LOW BEGINNER..... (Time: 1 minute or less)

- ☞☞ ½ revolution jump
- ☞☞ Toe-loop
- ☞☞ 2 foot spin (minimum 3 revolutions)
- ☞☞ Lunge

HIGH BEGINNER..... (Time: 1 minute or less)

- ☞☞ Waltz jump/Toe loop combination
- ☞☞ Loop or salchow jump
- ☞☞ Forward upright scratch spin (minimum 3 revolutions)
- ☞☞ Forward spiral

PRE-PRELIMINARY... (Time: 1 minute 15 seconds or less)

- ☞☞ Single jump (No axel allowed)
- ☞☞ Single-single jump combination (no axel)
- ☞☞ Forward spin (minimum 3 revolutions)
- ☞☞ Forward spiral sequence (minimum of three spiral positions)

PRELIMINARY..... (Time: 1 minute 30 seconds or less)

- ☞☞ Axel jump (may not be repeated in combination)
- ☞☞ 1 foot back spin (position optional, may not commence with a jump, minimum 3 revolutions)
- ☞☞ Single-single jump combination (must include loop)
- ☞☞ Edge Spiral, spread eagle or Ina Bauer
- ☞☞ Step sequence

PRE-JUVENILE..... (Time 1 minute 30 seconds or less)

- ☞☞ Single jump (may not be repeated in combination)
- ☞☞ double-single or single-double jump combination may not repeat axel
- ☞☞ Combination spin with 1 change of foot, no change of position (may not commence with a jump, minimum 4 revolutions each foot)
- ☞☞ Solo spin (may not commence with a jump, minimum 4 revolutions in position)
- ☞☞ Step sequence

SPINS

This event is to encourage and reward good spins. Age and test requirements are the same as listed under Freestyle. All levels will be skated on ½ ice surface. There will be no music. Spins must be skated exactly as stated, but may be skated in any order. One footwork sequence must be incorporated into your program along with a spread eagle, bauer or spiral

PRE-PRELIMINARY...(Time: 1 minute 30 seconds or less) Minimum 3 revolutions in position

- ☞☞ One-foot forward scratch spin (Minimum 4 revolutions)
- ☞☞ Sit spin (Minimum 4 revolutions)
- ☞☞ Back spin (Minimum 4 revolutions)
- ☞☞ Footwork sequence of any pattern
- ☞☞ Spiral, spread eagle or bauer

PRELIMINARY..... (Time: 1 minute 30 seconds or less)

- ☞☞ Back spin (minimum 4 revolutions)
- ☞☞ Camel spin (Minimum 4 revolutions)
- ☞☞ Sit Spin (Minimum 4 revolutions)
- ☞☞ Footwork sequence of any pattern
- ☞☞ Spiral, spread eagle or bauer

PRE-JUVENILE..... (Time: 1 minute 30 seconds or less)

- ☞☞ Forward scratch to backward scratch spin combination
- ☞☞ Layback spin – girl Camel Spin – boy (Minimum 4 revolutions)
- ☞☞ Spin combination with only one change of foot and only one change of position (Minimum 4 revolutions)
- ☞☞ Footwork sequence of any pattern
- ☞☞ Spiral, spread eagle or bauer

JUVENILE AND OPEN JUVENILE.....(Time: 1 minute 30 seconds or less)

- ☞☞ Flying camel spin (Minimum 4 revolutions)
- ☞☞ Combination spin with only one change of foot (Minimum 4 revolutions) only two changes of position
- ☞☞ Layback Spin – girls - camel spin – boys (Minimum 4 revolutions)
- ☞☞ Footwork sequence of any pattern
- ☞☞ Spiral, spread eagle or bauer

INTERMEDIATE..... (Time: 2 minutes or less)

- ☞☞ Combination spin with only one change of foot (Minimum 4 revolutions) only two changes of position
- ☞☞ Layback Spin – girls - camel spin - boys (Minimum 4 revolutions)
- ☞☞ Flying camel (Minimum 4 revolutions)
- ☞☞ Footwork sequence of any pattern
- ☞☞ Spiral, spread eagle or bauer

NOVICE..... (Time: 2 minutes or less) Required spin elements as per Rule 3663 in the 2005 U.S.F.S. rulebook.

JUNIOR..... (Time: 2 minutes or less) Required spin elements as per Rule 3653 in the 2005 U.S.F.S. rulebook.

SENIOR..... (Time: 2 minutes or less) Required spin elements as per Rule 3643 in the 2005 U.S.F.S. rulebook, but three total spins, not four.

ARTISTIC SHOWCASE

Open themes for each level. Skaters may not skate up a level for this event. Skaters will provide their own music. Vocal music is allowed. A certain amount of jumping is permitted, but no credit is given unless the jumps contribute to the overall aesthetic value of the program. Skaters will be judged to how well they interpret their theme. Artistry, originality and creativity are emphasized. Props may be used to accentuate the performance. The skater is responsible for transporting the props on and off the ice. Thirty seconds will be allowed for this. Costumes are encouraged!

NOTE: Props will not be allowed on the warm-up.

Group 1:	Pre-Preliminary/Preliminary	1-1/2 minutes
Group 2:	Pre-Juvenile/Juvenile	1-1/2 minutes
Group 3:	Intermediate and Above	1-1/2 minutes
Group 4:	Adult	1-1/2 minutes

** Please note: Guest judges may serve as a minority on the artistic showcase event panels.

SOLO DANCE EVENTS

Each dance is a separate event. Solo dance will be two patterns only and is open to men and ladies. The dance you wish to enter may be selected from those listed, in your present level and/or from one level higher. Awards will be presented for each individual dance event.

PRELIMINARY – Skater may have passed all Preliminary Dances but not all Pre-Bronze Dances.

Dance Events: Dutch Waltz, Canasta Tango and Rhythm Blues

PRE-BRONZE – Skater may have passed all Pre-Bronzes but not all Bronze Dances

Dance Events: Cha-Cha, Swing Dance and Fiesta Tango

BRONZE – Skater may have passed all Bronze Dances but not all Pre-Silver Dances.

Dance Events: Willow Waltz, Ten Fox and Hickory Hoedown

PRE-SILVER – Skater may have passed all Pre-Silver Dances but not all Silver Dances

Dance Events: Fourteen Step, European Waltz and Foxtrot

SILVER – Skater may have passed all Silver Dances but not all Pre-Gold Dances.

Dance Events: American Waltz, Rocker Foxtrot and Harris Tango

PRE-GOLD - Skater may have passed all Pre-Gold Dances but not all Gold Dances.

Dance Events: Killian, Blues and Paso Doble

GOLD – Skater may have passed all Gold Dances.

Dance Events: Quickstep, Westminster Waltz and Argentine Tango

FALLING LEAVES CLASSIC - ENTRY FORM

October 13-15, 2005

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Competitor's Information:

Name _____ Age _____ Birthdate _____

Address _____ Sex (M/F) _____ USFS# _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone () _____ Cell () _____

Home Club (Do not abbreviate) _____

E-Mail Address _____

Last Freestyle Test Passed as of September 1, 2005 _____

Coach's Information:

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone () _____ Cell () _____

EVENTS ENTERED

FREESTYLE

_____ Low Beginner
_____ High Beginner
_____ Pre-Preliminary Limited
_____ Pre-Preliminary
_____ Preliminary Limited
_____ Preliminary

_____ Pre-Juvenile
_____ Open-Juvenile
_____ Juvenile
_____ Intermediate
_____ Novice

_____ Junior
_____ Senior
_____ Adult Pre-Bronze
_____ Adult Bronze
_____ Adult Silver
_____ Adult Gold
_____ Adult Masters

COMPULSORY MOVES

_____ Low Beginner
_____ High Beginner
_____ Pre-Preliminary
_____ Preliminary
_____ Pre-Juvenile

SHORT PROGRAM

_____ Open-Juvenile
_____ Juvenile
_____ Intermediate

_____ Novice
_____ Junior
_____ Senior

SPINS

_____ Pre-Preliminary
_____ Preliminary
_____ Pre-Juvenile
_____ Juvenile
_____ Open-Juvenile
_____ Intermediate

_____ Novice
_____ Junior
_____ Senior

ARTISTIC SHOWCASE

_____ Pre-Preliminary/Preliminary
_____ Pre-Juvenile/Juvenile
_____ Intermediate/Above
_____ Adult Showcase

SOLO DANCE Write in dances to be skated (maximum of 6)

1. _____ 2. _____ 3. _____
4. _____ 5. _____ 6. _____

Date Arrived: _____
Confirmation: _____

Check # _____
Amount _____

CONTESTANT CERTIFICATION

I am an amateur, eligible under the rules of the United States Figure Skating Association to enter the event(s) checked on this entry form.

Contestant Signature: _____

CERTIFICATION OF CLUB OFFICER OR TEST CHAIRMAN

To the best of my knowledge, the information on this entry form is true and correct. The competitor is a member in good standing of our club.

Club Name: _____

Signature: _____ **Phone #:** () _____

Title: _____ **Date:** _____

WAIVER OF CLAIMS FOR INJURY

The competitor and family holds the Skating Club of Novi and the Novi Ice Arena harmless from any and all liability for injuries to the competitor and from any and all liability for damages to or loss of property. I also understand that no refunds will be made after September 1, 2005, INCLUDING MEDICAL.

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

Mail To: **Falling Leaves Classic**
C/O Mary Lynn Swinton
3100 Viking Drive
Walled Lake, MI 48390

ENTRIES CLOSE SEPTEMBER 1, 2005

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The first event is \$65. Each additional event \$30. No refunds after closing date unless the event is canceled for lack of participation. There will be a \$25 service charge assessed for returned checks.

Area Hotels

1. **Wyndam Hotel***, 42100 Crescent Blvd., Novi, MI, (248)344-8800 1.7 miles from Arena
2. Doubletree Hotel, 27000 Sheraton, Novi, MI, (248)348-5000 1.9 miles from Arena
3. Courtyard by Marriott, 42700 11 Mile Rd., Novi, MI (248)380-1234 1.4 miles from Arena
4. Towneplace Suites, 42600 11 Mile Rd., Novi, MI (248)305-5533 1.4 miles from Arena
5. Extended Stay America, 21555 Haggerty, Novi, MI (248)305-9955 2.1 miles from Arena
6. Novi Sheraton, 21111 Haggerty, Novi, MI (248)349-4000 2.2 miles from Arena
7. Hotel Baronette, 27790 Novi Rd., Novi, MI (248)349-7800 2.3 miles from Arena
8. Hampton Inn, 20600 Haggerty, Northville, MI (734)462-6270 2.4 miles from Arena
9. Ramada Inn, 21100 Haggerty, Novi, MI (248)349-7400 2.4 miles from Arena
10. Motel 6, 38300 Grand River Ave., Farmington Hills, MI (248)471-0590 2.4 miles from Arena
11. Holiday Inn, 38123 10 Mile Rd., Farmington Hills, MI (248)477-4000 2.4 miles from Arena
12. Embassy Suites, 19525 Victor Pkwy, Livonia, MI (734)462-6000 3.3 miles from Arena
13. Fairfield Inn, 17350 Fox Dr., Livonia, MI (734)953-8888 4.0 miles from Arena
14. Residence Inn, 17250 Fox Dr., Livonia, MI (734)462-4201 4.0 miles from Arena

**The Wyndham Hotel is the official hotel for the competition.*