

2006 RISING STARS COMPETITION

HOSTED BY THE GARFIELD HEIGHTS FIGURE SKATING CLUB



DATES: November 10, 11, 12, 2006

PLACE: Dan Kostel Recreation Center
5411 Turney Road
Garfield Heights, Ohio 44125
Website: www.ghfsc.org or www.sk8stuff.com

CHAIRPERSON: Joyce Lange Home (440) 543-1672 Email: JALange81@alltel.net
PRACTICE ICE: Cindy Bowers Home (216) 510-4147 Email: cabowers@wowway.com

PURPOSE: The Rising Stars Competition was established to stimulate interest in the beginning level of figure skating and to afford a competitive experience for as many skaters as possible. No school figures or moves-in-the-field will be skated.

RULES: The competition will be conducted in accordance with the rules set forth in the current edition of the US Figure Skating Rule Book.

ELIGIBILITY: This competition is a non-qualifying competition, open to all 2006-07 registered members of US Figure Skating. Skaters will compete at their **Freeskating or Dance** level as of **October 1, 2006**, or one level higher, **BUT NOT BOTH**. Skaters may not compete below their test level after October 1, 2006

ENTRIES: There is no limit to the number of entries from each participating club in any event. Any event with a large number of entries will be separated into smaller groups by birth date, except for Open Juvenile events which are for skaters 13 years of age or older. Boys and Girls may compete together if the numbers warrant and at the discretion of the Referee.

ENTRY FEES:

<u>Single Events:</u>	<u>Pairs, Couples Events</u>	<u>Solo Dance Events</u>
\$55.00 for the first single event	\$55.00 per team for the first event	\$25.00 for the first solo dance event
\$20.00 for the second single event	\$30.00 per team for the second event	\$20.00 for the second solo dance event
\$15.00 for each additional event	Each Partner must complete an application. Please return applications together.	\$55.00 for all three events

DEADLINE: The Deadline is October 1, 2006. Entry forms must be filled out completely and mailed along with a check or money order made payable to: **GARFIELD HEIGHTS FIGURE SKATING CLUB**. All entries must bear an official U.S. postmark, on or before Midnight **October 1, 2006**. Late applications are subject to a **\$25.00 late entry fee** and will be accepted at the discretion of the chairperson and Referee. There will be a **\$35.00 Service Charge assessed for each returned check (NSF.)** All fees must be cleared and release forms signed prior to skaters' event.

Please Note: NO REFUNDS for any reason INCLUDING MEDICAL (except in the case of a death in the immediate family, unless the event is canceled for lack of participation.

ADMISSION: Free with a non-perishable food item (will be donated to a local organization).

PRACTICE ICE: Practice ice will be available on Thursday, November 9, 2006. See enclosed practice ice form. Rink size is 85' x185' with slightly rounded corners.

REGISTRATION: The official registration desk will be located in the lobby of the Recreation Center and will be open beginning with Practice Ice. All skaters must report one hour prior to their event.

MUSIC: Freeskating competitors must provide music on Cassettes or Compact disc only. NO TAPES LONGER THAN C-30's WILL BE PERMITTED. CD's should have only 1 track with the event music. All cassettes must be marked with name and event on the side to be played. CD's must be labeled with skaters name and event. Skaters should have a suitable emergency back-up cassette/CD at the rink. Skaters are to turn in their music at the time of registration. Music should be reclaimed at the desk after the completion of the event. Music will be provided for compulsory dance events.

EVENTS: All events will be final rounds. Medals will be awarded for first, second, and third place. Awards will be presented as soon as results are posted.

TROPHY: The Rising Stars Club Trophy, awarded to the participating club with the most points accumulated during the competition will be presented at the close of the Competition.

VENDORS: Ledin Video will provide videotaping and photography services. No videotaping may be done at rink-side. No electricity is available for videotaping. Other vendors will be showcasing their products throughout the competition.

OFFICIAL NOTICE & SCHEDULES: An official board will be maintained in the lobby of the Recreation Center. Posting of schedules and announcements shall constitute sufficient official notice to competitors, coaches and officials. A schedule of events and practice ice will be sent to each competing club at least one week prior to the competition. Check the official board area upon arrival for any changes. Schedules will also be made available at the GCCFSC website: www.clevelandskating.com

PARKING: Off-street parking is available by entering from the Turney Road entrance at the drive leading to the Civic Center and the Library. Additional parking is available leading from the tennis courts to the main entrance to the Rink.

THE FOLLOWING IS A LIST OF AREA HOTELS THAT ARE CONVENIENT TO THE DAN KOSTEL RECREATION CENTER:

Holiday Inn (I-77 and I-480) 6001 Rockside Road Independence, OH (216) 524-8050	Comfort Inn 6191 Quarry Lane Independence, OH (216) 328-7777	Hampton Inn 6020 Jefferson Independence, OH (216) 520-2020	Embassy Suites 6060 Rockside Woods Blvd Independence, OH (216) 524-4995
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DIRECTIONS TO DAN KOSTEL RECREATION CENTER:

I-480-WEST Exit at E. 98th Street/Transportation Blvd. - Continue through light onto Antenucci Blvd. Turn left on Turney Road, cross over the I-480 Bridge; turn Right into Civic Center; Recreation Center is the last building on right.

I-480-EAST Exit at E. 98th Street/Transportation Blvd. - Turn left onto Transportation Blvd.; turn left onto Antenucci Blvd. (1st light). Turn left on Turney Road, cross over the I-480 Bridge. Turn right into Civic Center; Recreation Center is the last building on the right.

EVENT CATEGORIES, TIMES AND REQUIREMENTS

FREE SKATING

Freeskating events will be in accordance to the rules set forth in the current edition of the USFS rulebook. Open juvenile is age 13 or older as of the application deadline. Adults must be 25 years of age or older.

CATEGORY	MINUTES	MUST HAVE PASSED
Beginner A	1:00	No Test requirement
Beginner B	1:30	No Test requirement
Pre-Preliminary	1:30	Pre-Preliminary Free Skating Test
Preliminary	1:30	Preliminary Free Skating Test
Pre-Juvenile	2:00	Pre-Juvenile Free Skating Test
Open Juvenile	2:15	Juvenile Free Skating Test, age 13 or older
Adult Pre-Bronze	Not to exceed 1:40	Adult Pre-Bronze Free Skating Test
Adult Bronze	Not to exceed 1:40	Adult Bronze Free Skating Test

COMPULSORY MOVES and OPEN JUVENILE SHORT PROGRAM

Beginner through Pre-Juvenile and Adult skaters will present a program without music no longer than the specified times. All compulsory moves will be skated on ½ ice surface except Open Juvenile, which will be skated on the full ice surface with skaters' choice of music. Elements may be skated in any order, and deductions will be taken for additional elements.

CATEGORY	MINUTES	REQUIRED ELEMENTS
Beginner	1 minute or less	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Salchow Jump 2. Upright scratch spin (minimum of 3 revolutions) 3. Waltz Jump 4. Forward Spiral 5. Half Flip or Half Lutz Jump
Pre-Preliminary	1 minute or less	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Flip Jump 2. Split Jump 3. Combination Jump; any two single jumps with no steps or turns between (No Axel) 4. Sit Spin (minimum of 3 revolutions) 5. Forward Outside Spiral
Preliminary	1:15 minute or less	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Single Jump of choice (Axel permitted) 2. Camel Spin (minimum of 3 revolutions in camel position) 3. Combination Jump; any two single jumps with no steps or turns between (may not repeat the single jump selected above) 4. Combination spin (no change of foot) 5. Straight Line or Diagonal Footwork
Pre-Juvenile	1:15 minutes or less	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Axel Jump 2. Camel Spin (minimum of 3 revolutions in camel position) 3. Lutz-Loop Combination Jump; with no steps or turns between 4. Front to Back Scratch Spin (minimum of 4 rev. on each foot, exit on spinning foot) 5. Straight Line or Diagonal Footwork
Open Juvenile	1:40 minutes or less	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Jump Combination consisting of 2 double jumps or a double jump followed by a single jump with no steps or turns in between (No Axel) 2. Axel Jump 3. Double Jump of skater's choice; may not repeat jumps done in combination 4. Solo Spin; no flying spins, no change of foot or position (min of 4 revolutions) 5. Combination Spin with only one change of foot and one change of position (minimum 4 revolutions on each foot) 6. Step Sequence (straight line, circular, serpentine)

Adult Pre-Bronze/ Bronze	1:15 minutes or less	1. Straight Line or Diagonal Footwork 2. Salchow Jump 3. Waltz Jump-Toe Loop combination with no steps or turns between 4. Upright Scratch Spin (minimum 3 revolutions) 5. Spiral (forward outside)
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NOTES FOR COMPULSORY MOVES/SHORT PROGRAMS

1. Jumps and combination jumps will be evaluated on: speed and flow from takeoff to landing, cleanness of takeoff, height of jump, body position in the air and control of the landing. Combination jumps must have no steps or turns in between jumps.
2. Spins and combination spins will be evaluated on: number and speed of revolutions, center of spins, body position in the spin and control of the exit from the spin.
3. Footwork will be evaluated on: difficulty of steps, neatness, sureness and cleanness of steps, speed of travel and body position.

ARTISTIC SHOWCASE:

Eligibility by test level as described for FreeSkating events. Vocal music may be used. Appropriate costumes are encouraged but not mandatory and should not pose a safety hazard to the skater. Judging will emphasize artistic expression, originality, creativity and musical interpretation. Only hand-held props may be used **All artistic events are 1:30 MAX**

PAIRS EVENTS:

MIXED PAIRS

SIMILAR PAIRS

CATEGORY	MINUTES	MUST HAVE PASSED	MINUTES	MUST HAVE PASSED
Preliminary	1:30	Preliminary, but not Juvenile Pair Test	1:30	No test required, but not Juvenile Free Skating Test
Juvenile	2:00	Juvenile, but not Intermediate Pair Test	2:00	Pre-Preliminary, but not Juvenile Free Skating Test

NOTES FOR SIMILAR PAIRS: This is not an artistic showcase program. Elements skated are to conform to USFS rules #4010 and 4030. Vocal music with lyrics is not permitted.

COUPLES DANCE EVENTS

PRELIMINARY

CATEGORY	DANCES	BOTH PARTNERS
Preliminary (Initial Round)	Canasta Tango	May not have completed the Preliminary Dance Test
	Dutch Waltz	May not have completed the Preliminary Dance Test
Preliminary (Final Round)	Rhythm Blues	May not have completed the Preliminary Dance Test
	Swing Dance	May not have completed the Preliminary Dance Test

PRE-JUVENILE

CATEGORY	DANCES	BOTH PARTNERS
Pre-Juvenile (Initial Round)	Cha-Cha	May not have passed the Pre-Bronze Dance Test
	Dutch Waltz	May not have passed the Pre-Bronze Dance Test
Pre-Juvenile (Final Round)	Canasta Tango	May not have passed the Pre-Bronze Dance Test
	Rhythm Blues	May not have passed the Pre-Bronze Dance Test

JUVENILE

CATEGORY	DANCES	BOTH PARTNERS
Juvenile (Initial Round)	Ten Fox	May not have completed the Bronze Dance Test
	Hickory Hoedown	May not have completed the Bronze Dance Test
Juvenile (Final Round)	Cha-Cha	May not have completed the Bronze Dance Test
	Willow Waltz	May not have completed the Bronze Dance Test

SOLO DANCE EVENTS

DANCES	LAST TEST LEVEL PASSED
Canasta Tango	May not have completed the Preliminary Dance Test
Dutch Waltz	May not have completed the Preliminary Dance Test
Rhythm Blues	May not have completed the Preliminary Dance Test
Cha-Cha	May not have completed the Pre-Bronze Dance Test
Fiesta Tango	May not have completed the Pre-Bronze Dance Test
Swing Dance	May not have completed the Pre-Bronze Dance Test
Hickory Hoedown	May not have completed the Bronze Dance Test
Willow Waltz	May not have completed the Bronze Dance Test
Ten Fox	May not have completed the Bronze Dance Test

NOTES FOR DANCERS:

1. Solo Dancers may enter up to three solo dances. Medals will be given for each dance.
2. The referee will determine the number of patterns to be skated.

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Please *print* all information

Name: _____ U.S. Figure Skating # _____

Address: _____ City: _____ St: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: (____) _____ Email: _____

Age (as of 10/1/05): _____ Birthdate: _____ Male Female

Home Club: _____

Highest Test Passed: Free: _____ Date _____ Dance _____ Date _____ Pairs _____ Date _____

Partner's Name: _____ Partner's USFS # _____

(Partner is required to submit a separate entry form)

Please Check each event entered

SINGLES	FREESKATE	COMP/SHORT	ARTISTIC
Beginner A			
Beginner B			
Pre-Preliminary			
Preliminary			
Pre-Juvenile			
Open Juvenile			
Adult Pre-Bronze			
Adult Bronze			
MIXED PAIRS		SIMILAR PAIRS	
Preliminary		Preliminary	
Juvenile		Juvenile	

SOLO DANCE	
PRELIMINARY:	
Canasta Tango	
Dutch Waltz	
Rhythm Blues	
PRE-JUVENILE	
Cha-Cha	
Fiesta Tango	
Swing Dance	
JUVENILE	
Hickory Hoedown	
Willow Waltz	
Ten Fox	
COUPLES DANCE	
Preliminary	
Pre-Juvenile	
Juvenile	

ENTRY FEES:

Single Events:

\$55.00 for the first single event
\$20.00 for the second single event
\$15.00 for each additional event

Pairs, Couples Events

\$55.00 per team for the first event
\$30.00 per team for the second event
Each Partner must complete an application.

Solo Dance Events

\$25.00 for the first solo dance event
\$20.00 for the second solo dance event
\$55.00 for all three events

Total Fees Enclosed: _____

(No Cash Please)

MAKE ALL CHECKS/MONEY ORDERS PAYABLE TO: **GARFIELD HEIGHTS FIGURE SKATING CLUB**

Mail Entry Application and Payment to:

**Joyce Lange
16022 Messenger Road
Burton, Ohio 44021**

PLEASE MAIL SEPARATE CHECKS FOR ENTRY FEES AND PRACTICE ICE

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ENTRY FORM, Page 2

Competitor's Name _____ U.S. FIGURE SKATING # _____

COACH CERTIFICATE: I have read this entry form and certify that the competitor is eligible to enter the events selected.	
(PRINTED) NAME OF COACH: _____	PHONE _____
SIGNATURE: _____	DATE _____

CLUB CERTIFICATE OF ELEGIBILITY: I attest that this skater is a member-in-good-standing of our club, is an amateur in accordance with the rules of US Figure Skating and to the best of my knowledge, is eligible to enter the selected events	
NAME OF OFFICER/TEST CHAIR _____	TITLE _____
SIGNATURE: _____	DATE _____

SIGNED RELEASE AND AUTHORIZATION MUST BE COMPLETED IN ORDER TO PROCESS YOUR APPLICATION:

I understand that U.S. Figure Skating and the Garfield Height Figure Skating Club, the organizers of this competition, the City of Garfield Heights Recreation Department, the City of Garfield Heights, their appointees and employees undertake no responsibility for damages or injuries suffered by the competitor. As a condition of, and in consideration of acceptance of the skater's entries or participation therein, all entrants, their parents/guardians and officials shall be deemed to assume all risks of injury and loss of property resulting from, caused by, or connected with, the conduct and management of this competition, and to waive and release any and all claims which they may have against any officials, U.S. Figure Skating, the Garfield Heights Figure Skating Club and its officers and their entries shall be accepted only on such condition.

Skater's Signature _____ Date: _____

Parent/Guardian's Signature _____ Date: _____
(If skater is under age 18, then this must be signed)

AUTHORIZATION FOR EMERGENCY MEDICAL TREATMENT

In the event I am unavailable, I hereby give permission for any emergency medical treatment for _____ (please print full legal name of skater) to the direction of the Chairpersons of this competition. I understand that these Chairpersons have no formal medical background but will seek appropriate care and treatment. I, the undersigned, will assume and take sole responsibility for all financial obligations arising out of the treatment of the above named individual.

I, the undersigned, will hold U.S. Figure Skating, the Garfield Heights Figure Skating Club, the organizers, the City of Garfield Heights Recreation Department, the City of Garfield Heights, and their appointees and employees harmless from any claim rising out of any aid afforded the above named individual. I further indemnify all above mentioned parties from any claims and other parties might have with regards to aid provided to the above named individual.

Skater's Signature _____ Date: _____

Parent/Guardian's Signature _____ Date: _____

Person to contact in an emergency if parent/guardian cannot be reached:
Name: _____ Relationship: _____ Phone: _____

Skater's Physician's Name _____ Phone: _____

Skater's Dentist's Name _____ Phone: _____

Emergency medical information (allergies, pre-existing conditions, allergic to other medicines: _____

Name of Insurance Company _____ Name of Insured _____ Policy# _____

PRACTICE ICE APPLICATION

PRACTICE ICE SESSIONS WILL BE ON THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 2006 (2:45 PM – 5:45 PM.)

Each practice ice session will be 30 minutes. Each skater will be limited to **THREE PRACTICE SESSIONS** for Freeskating programs. Practice session time is available for Compulsory/Short Program events, however, you may skate Compulsory programs during the Freeskating practice if you so wish. NOTE: Freeskating programs will be played only once per Freeskate session.

Practice Ice will be assigned by groups whenever possible. Each practice session will be limited in the number of skaters on the ice. Practice Ice sessions will be scheduled for Dance and Pair Events, if the numbers of entries warrant separate practice time.

All schedules for practice ice, as well as competition times will be forwarded to the participating club for posting at your respective rink. No individual schedules will be mailed to the skaters.

PLEASE CHECK THE APPROPRIATE LEVEL:

FEE PER SESSION: \$9.00

Beginner – Compulsory	Open Juvenile – Short Program
Beginner – Freeskate	Open Juvenile - Freeskate
Pre-Preliminary – Compulsory	Adult Pre-Bronze/Bronze Compulsory
Pre-Preliminary – Freeskate	Adult Pre-Bronze/Bronze Freeskate
Preliminary – Compulsory	Solo Dance – Preliminary, Pre-Juvenile, Juvenile
Preliminary – Freeskate	Couples Dance - all levels (\$8.00 per competitor)
Pre-Juvenile – Compulsory	Mixed Pairs – Preliminary/Juvenile (\$8.00 per competitor)
Pre-Juvenile – Freeskate	Similar Pairs (\$8.00 per competitor)

NUMBER OF PRACTICE SESSIONS: _____ x \$9.00 PER SESSION TOTAL ENCLOSED \$ _____

NAME _____ PHONE: (____) _____

ADDRESS: _____ CITY: _____ ZIP: _____

HOME CLUB: _____ COACH: _____ PHONE:(____) _____

Please make check (no cash, please) payable to:

GARFIELD HEIGHTS FIGURE SKATING CLUB

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