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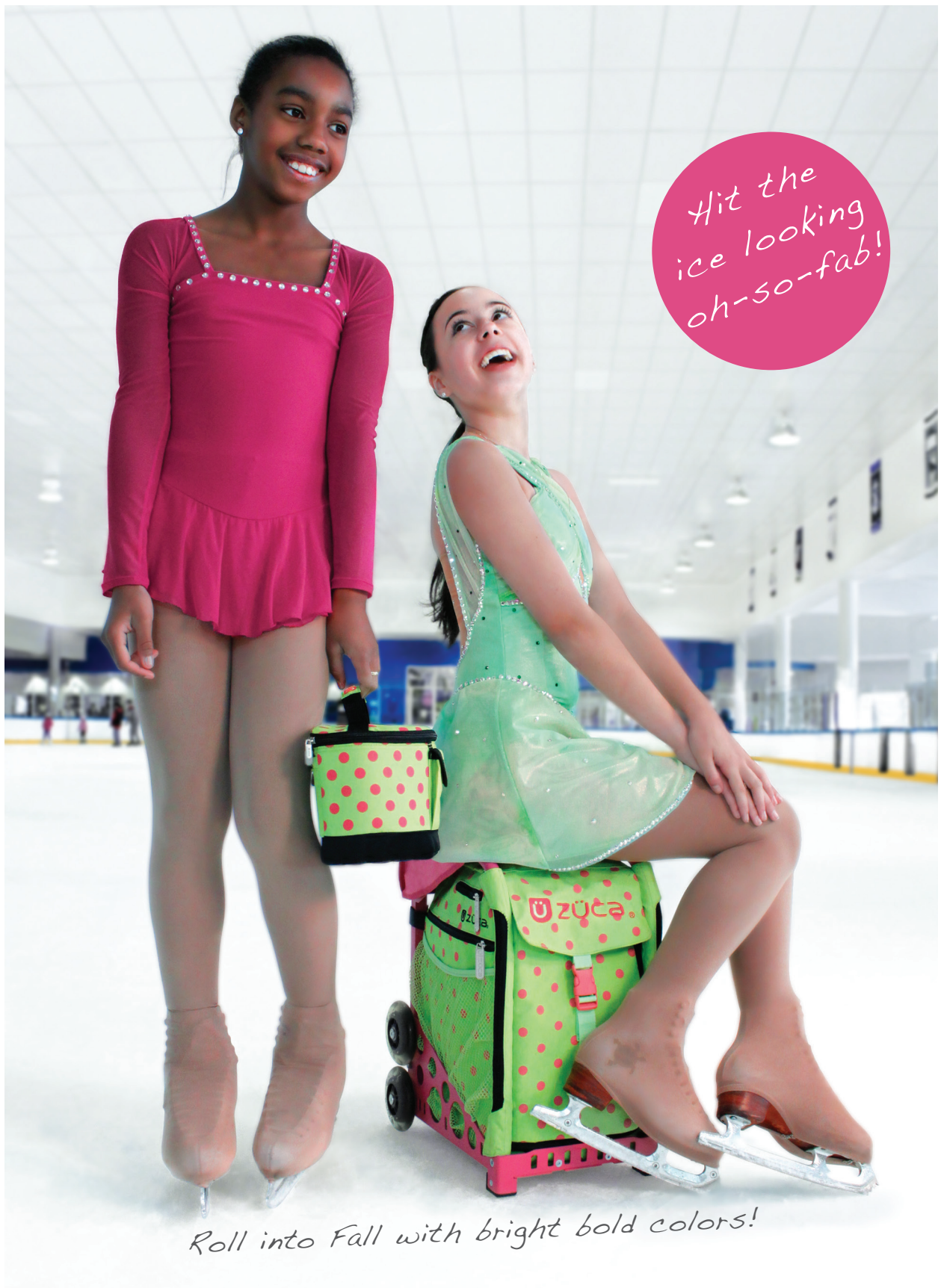
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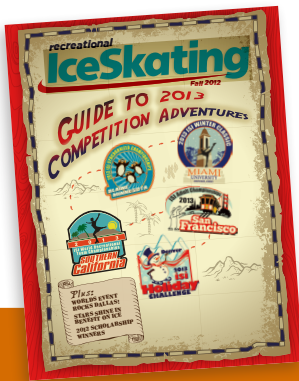


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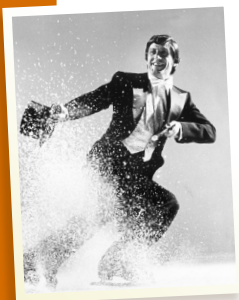
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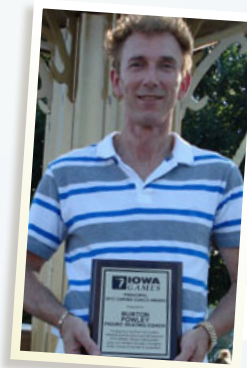
Pasadena Ice Skating Center Names Randy Winship General Manager



The Pasadena Ice Skating Center has named Randy Winship general manager. Formerly Pasadena's skating director, Randy returns to the facility after serving as ISI's director of skating programs and events since 2006. His previous professional roles included manager, coach and consultant for skating centers in 12 countries around the world, including China, South Korea, Japan, Mexico, Philippines, United Arab Emirates, Malaysia and Thailand. His friends at the Ice Skating Institute wish him a bright future and look forward to seeing him at ISI national skating events and conferences.

Burton Powley Wins Caring Coach Award

Iowa figure skating coach Burton Powley has received the Iowa Sports Foundation's Caring Coach Award for his significant and positive influence on the actions and development of his skating students. Burton coaches at the Coral Ridge Ice Arena in Coralville and the Metro Ice Sports Facility in Urbandale. An award-winning skater himself, Burton and his team are regular competitors at ISI national events. The Capitol Ice Academy team won the President's Award at the 2010 ISI World Recreational Team Championships in Boston.



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Ice Theatre of New York to Honor *Richard "Mr. Debonair" Dwyer*

Ice Theatre of New York will honor Richard "Mr. Debonair" Dwyer, America's most beloved ice show star, at its annual Benefit Gala and Performance in New York City on Oct. 22.

Richard holds the Guinness World Record for the longest-ever professional ice skating performer, with a career of 62 years and counting.

In 1943, Richard's parents moved to southern California and introduced their children to skating after going to see the Ice Follies. Richard joined the skating club at Sonja Henie's Westwood Gardens rink and started taking lessons from his first coach, Michael Kirby. At his first competition, a Southern California Inter-Club Association event, Richard came in second out of two. He said that competition taught him that he was going to have to work harder.

He went on to win the U.S. Novice and Junior Men's titles during his amateur career. At Senior Nationals, at

age 14, he captured the bronze medal behind Dick Button and Hayes Jenkins. Immediately after that event, Richard turned pro. Joining an ice show had always been his dream.

Richard grew up with the children of Ice Follies founder Eddie Shipstad and he had long been an admirer of Roy Shipstad, the original Ice Follies "Debonair." When Richard was not yet 15, Roy was set to retire, and Richard was groomed as his replacement, a "Young Debonair." Richard's title was changed to "The Debonair" when he was almost 30, and to "Mr. Debonair" later on.

The role called for skating in top hat and tails while accompanied by six beautiful girls in glamorous gowns. At the end of each number, Richard would present a »



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» bouquet of roses to one of the more “grandmotherly” ladies in the audience.

Richard continued his education while touring, attending high school in 26 different cities. In the 1950s, shows stayed in cities for up to several weeks at a time, allowing Richard time to make friends along the way.

He graduated from high school in 1953 and started taking a few courses each summer at the University of San Francisco. He received his college degree in 1975 instead of 1957 — at age 39. He jokes that he simply switched the numbers in the years.

Richard’s career in Ice Follies lasted 30 years. He performed more than 12,000 times on a 46-week tour that included nine weekly performances (including three back-to-back shows on Saturdays) — about 400 a year — until his retirement from Ice Follies in 1980. At age 50, he returned to skating with Ice Capades for 13 years, until 1995. He was inducted into the U.S. Figure Skating Hall of Fame in 1993. Richard continued to skate, performing in China in 2005 and skating a duet with Brian Boitano in “A Salute to the Golden Age of Ice Skating” television special in 2010.

At age 76, Richard will perform at Ice Theater’s Benefit Gala and Performance, along with a celebrity crop of former Dwyer Girls, including Olympic champion Dorothy Hamill, world champion Tai Babilonia, Olympic silver medalist Linda Fratianne and U.S. champion JoJo Starbuck. Reprising Richard’s “Debonair” role will be U.S. champion Ryan Bradley, world champion Randy Gardner, Olympic silver medalist Paul Wylie and a surprise guest.

“We are honoring Richard Dwyer for his lifetime of inspired performances, personifying joy on ice for countless numbers of appreciative audiences. We also applaud Richard’s role as a goodwill ambassador within our diverse skating world,” says Moira North, Ice Theatre of New York’s founder/director.

Dwyer joins an esteemed list of ITNY honorees including Dick Button, Dorothy Hamill, Scott Hamilton and Vera Wang. For more information, go to icetheatre.org.

—Jirina Ribbens



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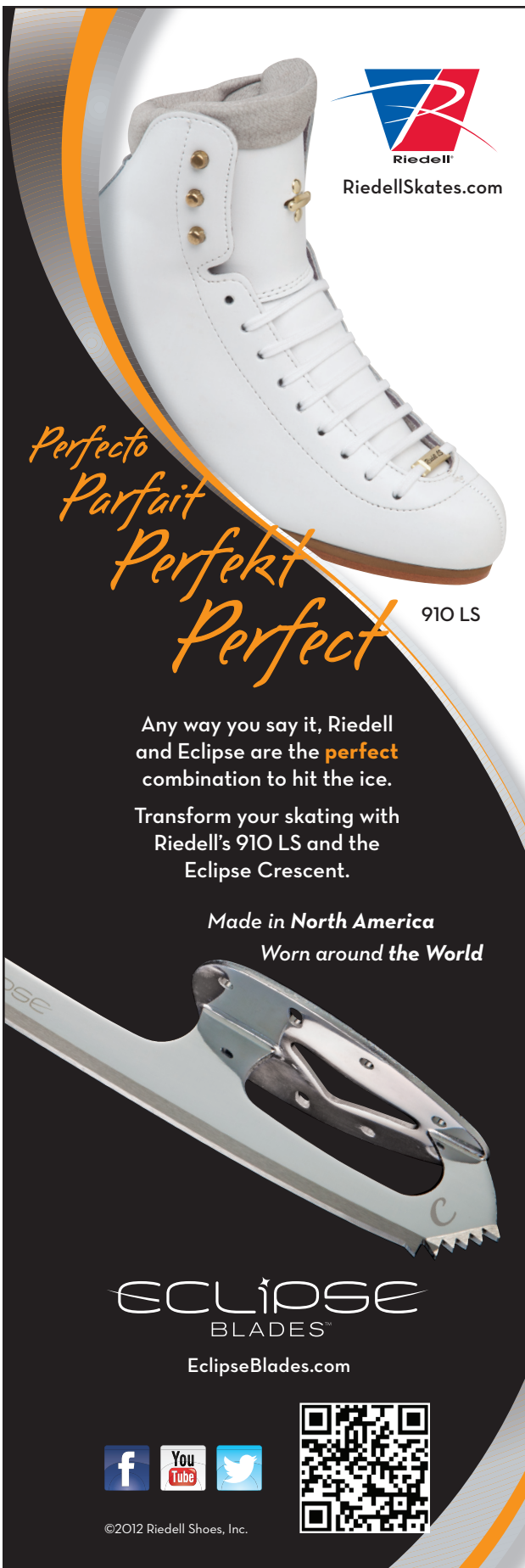
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Winter Classic Heads to “the Other” Miami

by Lori Fairchild



Winter Classic is the perfect answer to the winter doldrums. Once the excitement of the holidays is over, you need something to look forward to, something to plan for, someplace to go. How about Miami?

Not *that* Miami ... the 2013 ISI Winter Classic, set for Feb. 8-10, offers you the unique opportunity to experience an ice skating competition on one of the most picturesque college campuses in the nation — 200-year-old Miami University in Oxford, Ohio. The poet Robert Frost once described Miami as “the most beautiful campus that ever was,” and others have called it a “hidden gem.”

In addition to the beauty of the campus, you'll love skating in the state-of-the-art Goggin Ice Center, home of Miami University's three-time national champion synchronized skating team, also the first American team to medal at the World Synchronized Skating Championships. Goggin has previously hosted ISI Synchronized Championships and Winter Classic.

Set in one of Ohio's most scenic areas, Oxford is within convenient travel distance of Chicago, Cleveland, Columbus, Detroit, Pittsburgh, Knoxville and many other areas home to ISI members. Cincinnati and Dayton are less than an hour away.

Depending on the number of competition events you enter, Winter Classic might be enough to keep you busy the entire weekend. If you find some time for additional activities, you can schedule a campus tour or experience the quaint college town atmosphere of Uptown Park or High Street, both packed with local history and fun places to eat and shop.

Other nearby attractions include: Cincinnati Premium Outlets; EnterTRAINment Junction, the world's largest indoor train display; and THE WEB Extreme Entertainment, a one-stop entertainment destination featuring a multi-level laser tag arena, an electric indoor go-kart track, a blacklight mini-golf course, a bowling alley and an arcade.

Plan now to participate in the 28th Annual ISI Winter Classic, the national recreational ice skating competition that comes along at the time of year when you're ready for a break from winter. Entry and test deadline is Dec. 1. **ISI**

For more information:

- skateisi.org/winterclassic
- miami.muohio.edu
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ISI NATIONAL EVENTS GUIDE

SKATE YOUR WAY TO THE ICE ADVENTURES OF 2013

Treasures await adventurous ISI skaters eager to explore bold new experiences in exciting destinations! There's no time to waste — chart your course now and discover the thrill of ISI national competitions!



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skateisi.org/synchro



Feb. 8-10
Entry & Test Deadline: Dec. 1
skateisi.org/winterclassic



July 22-27
Entry & Test Deadline: May 1
skateisi.org/worlds



Oct. 11-13
Entry & Test Deadline: Aug. 10
skateisi.org/adultchamps



Dec. 6-8
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**ISI WINTER CLASSIC
FEBRUARY 8-10**

**GOGGIN ICE CENTER -
MIAMI UNIVERSITY
OXFORD, OHIO**

**ENTRY & TEST
DEADLINE: DEC. 1**



The hunt is on for a winter treat, and all paths lead to picturesque 200-year-old Miami University — often described as a “hidden gem” — for the 28th Annual ISI Winter Classic. You’ll be welcomed and warmed by the hospitality at state-of-the-art Goggin Ice Arena, home of Miami’s national champion synchronized skating team. The quaint, historic college town of Oxford is less than an hour away from Cincinnati and Dayton, making travel convenient from many U.S. cities. Plan your February escape now, to the largest, most fun winter ice skating competition in the land!



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GATHER YOUR TEAM AND VENTURE NORTH

Every skater should experience an ISI competition at Schwan Super Rink, where you'll find an amazing eight ice rinks under one roof! The Super Rink is part of the National Sports Center, one of the largest amateur sports complexes in the world, with a place in the Guinness World Records. The Super Rink will be transformed into synchro territory when teams from far and wide make their way to ISI Synchronized Champs. While you're in the Land of 10,000 Lakes, be sure to check out the Mall of America, the country's largest shopping and entertainment complex. And don't forget to capture some of that "Minnesota nice" to take home with you!



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The westward trail to ISI Worlds never fails to yield valuable rewards. Always one of the most popular sites for an ISI competition, there's no place like southern California to get the most from your travels. Where else can you combine your skating expedition with legendary vacation destinations like Disneyland, Universal Studios and Knott's Berry Farm? Best of all, Worlds is known as the largest annual recreational ice skating competition on the planet, offering more than 25 different skating event categories for individuals, partners, groups and teams. This is your chance to shine — compete against skaters from across the country and beyond, and help your team claim the prized World Champs trophy!



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DECEMBER 6-8**

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Denver



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Host team Dr Pepper StarCenter McKinney claimed the championship Michael Booker Trophy.
Gabriele Photography

Worlds Returns to Texas After 20 Years

by Lori Fairchild

The Dallas area has changed significantly since the ISI World Recreational Team Championships was last held there in 1992. Twenty years ago, this year's two host facilities — Dr Pepper Arena in Frisco and the Dr Pepper StarCenter McKinney at Craig Ranch — did not yet exist, and the land they now occupy was undeveloped prairie as far as the eye could see. The surrounding thoroughfares and nearby hotels, restaurants and amazing shopping areas were just faraway dreams on the Texas horizon, and most of this year's Worlds competitors were yet to be born.

But when it comes to the annual ISI Worlds competition, some things never change. Time stands still in all the best ways.

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ALISSA KITCHEN, 2009



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BLAIR MACK, 2012

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Many hundreds of skaters still travel from coast to coast and beyond to have the time of their lives, both on and off the ice. This year's event, July 23-28, was no exception, with more than 1,000 skaters of all skill levels representing 66 rink teams from 18 states and four countries, with ages ranging from 1 to 87.

Host team Dr Pepper StarCenter McKinney claimed the Michael Booker Trophy, with its 134-member team earning a whopping 1594.5 points. The second-place team, Ice at the Parks from Arlington, Texas, accumulated 895.5 points with 126 skaters. Among the most impressive results of the week came from K Lynn Skating School, whose team chalked up 879.5 points with only 18 skaters who had traveled to Dallas from Montgomery, Ala.

In addition to six days of competition, participants enjoyed local "retail therapy," Dallas-area attractions and special Worlds week activities such as the Roundup at the Ranch competitors' party, skater clinics with World and Olympic coach John Nicks and the Benefit on Ice featuring U.S. national champion Ashley Wagner (see page 24).

Turn the page for more Worlds highlights, and start planning now for next year's Worlds, July 22-27 in Anaheim, Calif. **RIS**

TOP 10

PLACE	RINK	TOTAL POINTS
1	Dr Pepper StarCenter McKinney	1594.5
2	Ice at The Parks	895.5
3	K Lynn Skating School	879.5
4	Joliet Park District	666.5
5	Galleria Ice Skating Center	656.5
6	Stars of Austin Figure Skating Club	555.5
7	Bayou City Figure Skating Club	507.5
8	Vacaville Ice Sports	486.5
9	Dr Pepper StarCenter Farmers Branch	423.0
10	Allen Community Ice Rink	373.5

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Worlds Highlights

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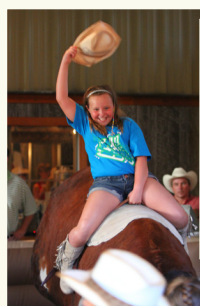
More than 30 skaters representing two World Ice Arena teams in China traveled the greatest distance to Worlds. Here, their skating director, Chen Lu (back center), prepares for the trip home with a few of her team members.



Worlds was the first ISI national competition for the Chambers family, originally from Michigan but currently living in Alabama. Chief Warrant Officer 4 Brian Chambers

and his wife, Ann, shared their two youngest daughters' Worlds performances via Skype with their big brother, Specialist Brian Chambers Jr., stationed in Afghanistan, and sister Samantha in Japan. Here, Brian Jr. "virtually" poses with his parents and little sisters, Naddie, 7, and Cayci, 11.

Three skaters from K Lynn Skating School in Montgomery, Ala. were recognized for entering the greatest number of Worlds events: (from left) Andrea Attia, 21 events; Emily Magda, 22 events; and Alyssa Allen, 21 events. Their ambitious competition schedules helped their team claim third place with only 18 skaters.



The Roundup at the Ranch competitors' party was an evening of Texas-style activities and entertainment, including swimming, mechanical bull riding, line dancing and even armadillo racing.

Sarah Stanford, 17 months, of Dallas, was the youngest Worlds competitor, and Yvonne Dowlen of Denver claimed the senior spot at 87 years young. Yvonne won the hearts — not to mention the respect — of the Benefit on Ice audience with her impressive performance.



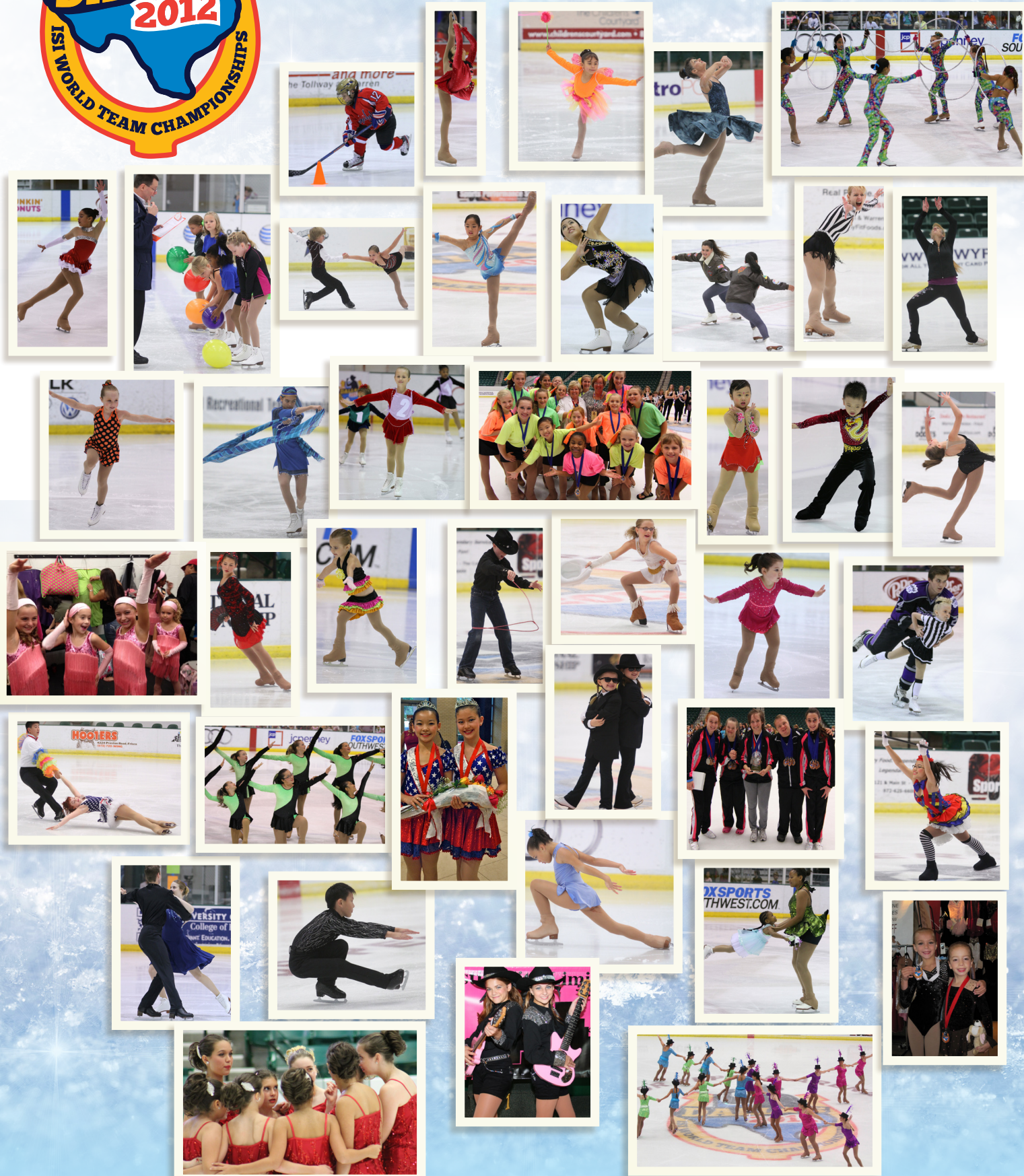
Skater clinics on Friday morning offered the opportunity for Worlds competitors in ISI Freestyle 4-10 levels to work directly with legendary World and Olympic coach John Nicks and his current student, U.S. national champion Ashley Wagner.





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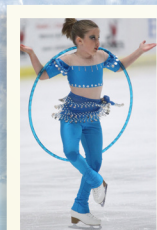
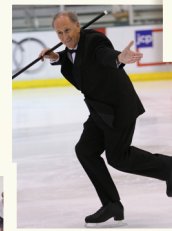
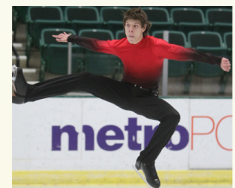
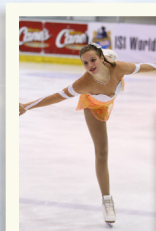
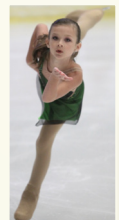
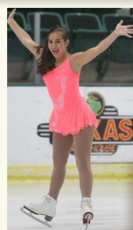
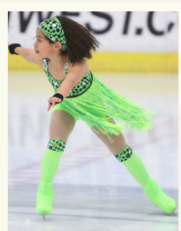
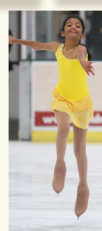
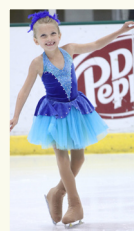
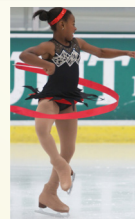
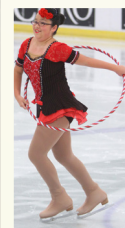
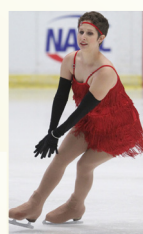
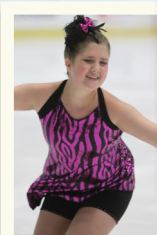
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Scholarship Recipients

Congratulations to this year's ISIA Education Foundation scholarship recipients, who were honored and featured in the Benefit on Ice show on July 27 in Dallas.

To receive an application for a 2013 scholarship, go to skateisi.org/foundation or call (972) 735-8800.



Blair Mack
Deerfield, Ill.

Home Rink: Northbrook Sports Center

High School: Deerfield High School

GPA: 4.05 on 4.0 point system

College: University of Michigan

Major: Education

ISI Levels: Freestyle 9, Couples 9, Gold-Certified Judge

ISI National Competitions: Worlds (2006-7) Winter Classic (2006, 2012), Artistic Challenge (2011), Synchronized Championships (2006, 2011)

Activities: GIMA (Girls' Intramural Association), Operation Snowball Teen Director (Character Building Program), Class Executive Board Representative, Special Needs Assistant, Peer Helping Leader, Northbrook Competitive Figure Skating Team Captain, SPICE (Special Needs People's Ice Skating Experience), Skating & Dance Camp Counselor, Northbrook Competitive Figure Skating Team Captain

Honors & Awards: High Honors, Deerfield High School Honor Society, Spanish Honor Society

Blair Says: "Figure skating has taught me many lessons in life. When you do things to the best of your ability, you glide through life's challenges, bouncing back from all of the trips and falls along the way. The most important life lesson I learned was to prioritize and balance my time."

Erika Galloway
Downers Grove, Ill.

Home Rink: Downers Grove Ice Arena

High School: South High School

GPA: 4.1 on 4.0 point system

College: Butler University

Major/Minor: Accounting

ISI Levels: Freestyle 8, Dance 7, Couples 5

ISI National Competitions: Worlds (2000-1, 2003, 2007, 2011), Winter Classic (2012), Synchronized Championships (2002-7)

Activities: Cheerleading, Dance Team, Athletes Committed to Excellence, PE Leader, Synchronized Ice Skating Team, Team USA (Synchronized), Competitive Figure Skating Team, Homeless Shelter Volunteer, Lifeguard

Honors & Awards: ISI Good Sport, AP Scholar with Distinction, National Honor Society, Spanish National Honor Society, Silver Math Award, Illinois State Scholar, All Academic Team, Presidential Award for Educational Excellence, ISIA Education Foundation Benefit on Ice Soloist (2007)

Erika Says: "Skating in the ISI program and progressing through the levels has taught me the value of hard work and dedication along with respect for all individuals and all levels of talent. I have transferred these skills to my life at school, work and volunteering to help others who are less fortunate or need a little extra help."





Erin Sprenger Jefferson City, Mo.

Home Rink: Washington Park Ice Arena

High School: Blair Oaks High School

GPA: 4.13 on 4.0 point system

College: Missouri Western State University

Major: Elementary/Early Childhood Education

ISI Levels: Freestyle 4, Dance 5, Bronze-Certified Judge

ISI National Competitions: Winter Classic (2011), Synchronized Championships (2007-12)

Activities: Class Secretary, TREND (Turning Resources & Energy in New Directions), Team Spirit Leadership Training Conference, FCCLA (Family, Career & Community Leaders of America), Math Club, A+ Program, Church Choir, Volleyball, Cross Country, Hospital Volunteer

Honors & Awards: Superintendent's List, Top Performer (Basic Design, Health, PE, Foods, English), Falcon Academic Award, Cross Country Most Improved Award, Capitol Classics Perfect Attendance Award (5 years), Council for Drug-Free Youth Student of the Month

Erin Says: "Skating has allowed me to experience the exuberance of teaching. I will change the world by inspiring young minds, instilling a love for learning and a hope for a bright future."



Jacqueline Sullivan Yonkers, N.Y.

Home Rink: E.J. Murray Memorial Skating Center

High School: Academy of Our Lady of Good Counsel

GPA: 3.7 on 4.0 point system

College: Manhattanville College

Major: Special Education

ISI Levels: Freestyle 7, Dance 7, Figures 1

ISI National Competitions: Worlds (2002, 2004-7, 2010), Winter Classic (2007)

Activities: Student Council, Recruitment Club, Dance Club, Irish Heritage Club, Metro Club, Latin Club, Fundraising Leadership Team, Girl Scouts, Making Strides Against Breast Cancer Walk, Project S.H.A.R.E., Dancing for a Cure, Skating Instructor, Academic Tutor, Yonkers FSC

Honors & Awards: High Honor Roll, National Honor Society, Mu Alpha Theta (Math National Honor Society), Religion Award, Latin Award, Leadership Award, Christian Service Awards, MIRMA/ISI District 3 Skate for Knowledge Scholarships, ISI Good Sport, YFSC Alumni Scholarship, Understudy Award for Volunteer Service (Learn-to-Skate Program), ISIA Education Foundation Benefit on Ice Soloist (2002)

Jacqueline Says: "Teaching skating to children with learning disabilities verified for me that majoring in special education is the right decision. I love to give children a chance and a happy experience in a world where it seems at times that they have no voice. ISI coincides with my vision by providing Special Skater events." **RIS**



Worlds Stars Shine in Benefit on Ice

by Lisa Fedick | Photos by Gabriele Photography & True-Life-Photography



The stars were big and bright on July 27 at the 2012 ISIA Education Foundation Benefit on Ice show, deep in the heart of Texas! We were entertained by a wonderfully diverse program of performances that took our breath away, tickled our funny bones and warmed our hearts.

The Ice Skating Institute is all about providing skaters with opportunities and experiences that they might not find anywhere else, and this year's Benefit on Ice was certainly no exception. On this evening, imagination reigned supreme. Among the colorful cast of characters

Show headliner Ashley Wagner was the final performer at the end of each half of the exhibition event, skating programs that highlighted her diversity as a performer and her beautiful mix of athleticism and grace.

to two very different programs, highlighting her diversity as a performer and her beautiful mix of athleticism and grace. Ashley's first program was a version of the Elton John standard "Your Song." This elegant program was highlighted by double Axel, triple loop and flip jumps. Her second program, which was just as technical as her first, was perky and fun, and provided the perfect finish to a great night of skating.

Ashley's co-stars in the show were Worlds competitors representing a range of ages, programs and skill levels. A team of "undercover talent scouts" led by show



Little Evan White's big presence as Diana Ross had the audience under her command.

were Lucy and Ricky Ricardo, Charlie Chaplin, Diana Ross, authentic Texas cowgirls and cowboys, the "Blades of Glory" duo and even a company of lovely sumo ballerinas.

The show's headliner was U.S. national champion and skating role model Ashley Wagner, who treated us



Special Skater Samantha Rentfleish could not contain her joy at being a featured Benefit on Ice performer.

Next issue:
Q&A with
Ashley Wagner!



The animated and flexible Regan Ellis was a Skate with the Stars raffle winner.

coordinator Robyn Bentley selected the performers throughout the week's competition events. [See page 26 for full program of performances.]

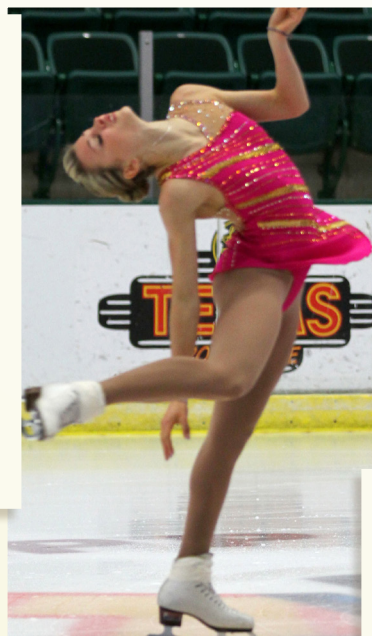
Ashley Cain of Euless, Texas dazzled the crowd with her Artistic Platinum program. Ashley is the U.S. Junior silver medalist and 2011 U.S. Junior pairs champion as well as an ISI member.

One of the most well-received performances of the night was that of 87-year-old Yvonne Dowlen from Centennial, Colo. Her Dramatic Spotlight performance was not only elegant, but also technically ambitious. But no skater had more fun than our "student driver," Samantha Rentfleisch from the Superstars Skating Club, who brought the house down.

The 2012 Skate with the Stars raffle soloists were Regan Ellis from the Dr Pepper StarCenter in McKinney, Texas and Shreya Chari from the Dr Pepper Arena in Frisco, Texas.

Some of the evening's brightest stars were the four ISIA Education Foundation scholarship recipients, who were honored with a brief recognition ceremony and featured individually in the show. The first to perform was Blair Mack from Northbrook, Ill., whose Freestyle 9 program showcased a catalog of double jumps. Blair is following in the footsteps of her coach, former Foundation scholarship recipient and current board trustee Heather Aseltine.

Scholar Erika Galloway from Downer's Grove, Ill. performed a rhythmic ribbon routine. Erika's skills as a Freestyle 8 skater were evident in her creativity and innovative style. Erin



U.S. Figure Skating Junior Ladies competitor Ashley Cain dazzled the crowd with her ambitious Artistic Platinum program.

Sprengr of Jefferson City, Mo. skated her Open Silver Freestyle program, "Hot Jazz." Jacqueline Sullivan of Yonkers, N.Y., a Freestyle 7 and Dance 7 skater, performed an artistic Tango program laced with intricate freestyle and dance sequences.

The smiles on the faces of these four young women told the whole story of the honor and thrill of being recognized by the Foundation for a lifetime of effort and accomplishment. We wish them well as they embark on the next chapter of their lives as college freshmen.



Worlds' most senior competitor, 87-year-old Yvonne Dowlen, earned an enthusiastic standing ovation.



The burly "ballerinas" generated the heartiest audience laughter of the evening.

The Foundation will help make their dreams a reality, but this cannot happen without your support. All of the proceeds from both the Skate with the Stars raffle and the Benefit Show will be used to endow future scholarships. Now is the time for all skaters to start collecting and logging their information to be prepared for the annual March 1 application deadline. For more information as well as application and donation forms, go to skateisi.org/foundation.

Benefit on Ice Featured Performers

Ashley Wagner

U.S. National Ladies Champion

Boot Scootin' Skaters

Dr Pepper Arena
Frisco, Texas

Stephanie Lam & Courtney Le

Bayou City Figure Skating Club
Houston

Timmy Chapman

RDV Sportsplex Ice Den
Orlando, Fla.

Samantha Rentfleish

Superstars Figure Skating Club
Elk Grove Village, Ill.



The evening ended with an autograph session and meet-and-greet with Ashley Wagner.

Victoria Bixler & Nick Hart

Ice Palace Hawaii
Honolulu

Lian Si Yang

World Ice Arena
Shenzhen, China

Regan Ellis

Dr Pepper StarCenter McKinney
McKinney, Texas

Blair Mack

Northbrook Sports Center
Northbrook, Ill.

Evan White

K Lynn Skating School
Montgomery, Ala.

Yvonne Dowlen

South Suburban Ice Arena
Centennial, Colo.

Erika Galloway

Downers Grove Ice Arena
Downers Grove, Ill.

Annaliyse Bowden & Johnathon Chang

Ice at Stonebriar Center
Frisco, Texas

Nutcracker Sweets

Galleria Ice Skating Center
Dallas

Texas All Stars

Dr Pepper StarCenter McKinney
McKinney, Texas

Ashley Cain

Dr Pepper StarCenter Euless
Euless, Texas

Shreya Chari

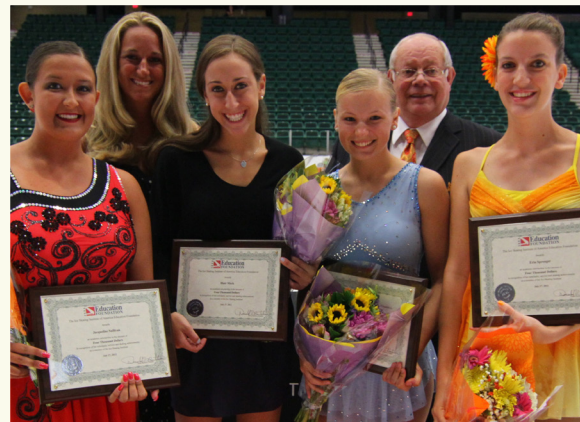
Dr Pepper StarCenter Frisco
Frisco, Texas

Erin Sprenger

Washington Park Ice Arena
Jefferson City, Mo.

Lauren Runnke & Lindsey Collins

Galleria Ice Skating Center
Dallas



The 2012 scholarship recipients were recognized during the show's intermission: (front, from left) Jacqueline Sullivan of Yonkers, N.Y., Blair Mack of Deerfield, Ill., Erika Galloway of Downers Grove, Ill. and Erin Sprenger of Jefferson City, Mo.; (back) ISIA Education Foundation board of trustees members Heather Aseltine and Donald Bartelson.

Jacqueline Sullivan

E.J. Murray Memorial Skating Center
Yonkers, N.Y.

Jennifer Martino

City of Shaker Heights
Shaker Heights, Ohio

Breanna Harris & Nathan Grundhofer

Bakersfield Ice Sports Center
Bakersfield, Calif.

Nick Wagner

Richmond Ice Zone
Richmond, Va.

Kearns Kids

RDV Sportsplex Ice Den
Orlando, Fla.

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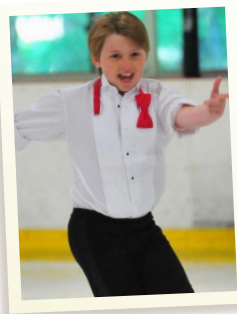
Ice at the Parks
Arlington, Texas

Michael Jackson Tribute

Dr Pepper StarCenter McKinney
McKinney, Texas **RS**

write on!

Send your letters to editor@skateisi.org.



I competed at the World Championships in Dallas this year and I got to skate in the Benefit Show on Friday! I want to say thank you for giving me the best experience ever! It was the most fun I have ever had in my whole life! My favorite part of the whole show was watching my new friends from Texas skate to Michael Jackson music! Skating with a champion (Ashley Wagner) was awesome! I also loved skating with an actual spotlight! That was so cool! ISI asks me to make three new friends every competition. I met

47 new friends! I got to cheer for them in lots of events and they even came to cheer for me! I came home with 53 pins I traded and stuffed animals from people I don't even know. I will remember this competition and the ice show forever!

Timmy Chapman | Orlando, Fla.

This year's Worlds in Dallas was awesome! I met so many new people and went to exciting places since my family made this opportunity into a vacation. We started in San Antonio, then drove to Houston and finally to Frisco. Some of the things we saw were the Alamo, Sea World, San Antonio Missions, Johnson Space Center, a rodeo in Mesquite, longhorn cattle in Fort Worth and the Bureau of Engraving and Printing. However, my highlight was the competitors' party at the Austin Ranch in Grapevine. I rode the mechanical bull and saw armadillo races.

The music and dancing was great! I was also able to see some really good skaters throughout the week. Trading pins is another way to meet new people. I have represented Franklin Park Ice Arena in the last six Worlds competitions, and I am looking forward to skating in southern California next year!

Andrea Caruso | North Riverside, Ill.



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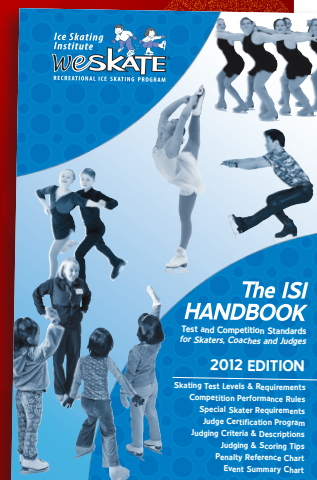


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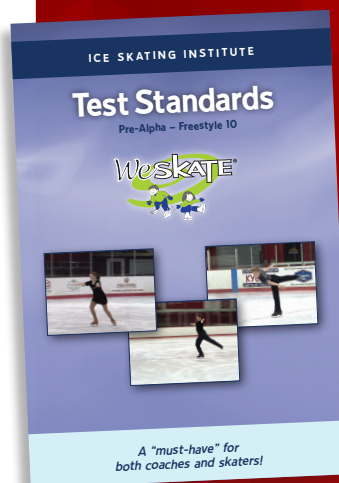
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place or thing

Verb: Action
word (skating,
jumping, etc.)

Adjective:
descriptive
word (loud,
wrinkled, blue)

Without reading the story first below, ask a friend or family member to give you words to fill in the blanks. It's OK if they are funny words that don't seem to go with the sentence. After you've written them in, read the story aloud for a chuckle!

Lizzie and Alex returned from the ISI World Recreational Team Championships in _____ where they both had a _____ time. Together they brought home _____ medals and are anxious to take them to _____ for show-and-tell.

(a state) (adjective) (number) (place)

Lizzie's favorite event was her _____ routine. "I was so nervous at first. My stomach felt like it had _____ in it and they were doing cartwheels! But as soon as I heard my name announced and saw all the _____ in the stands _____ for me, I couldn't wait to show them my program – especially my _____!"

(ISI event category) (insect - plural) (noun - plural) (verb ending in -ing) (skating move)

Alex's favorite event was the Surprise event, where everybody _____ through an obstacle course while _____ a _____ and not letting it pop or touch the ice. But he's very fast so it was easy for him to get _____ place in that event.

(verb ending in -ed) (verb ending in -ing) (noun) (number)

At the opening parade on Wednesday, Lizzie and Alex both _____ with their team, carrying the _____ from their rink. At the party afterward, they played _____, rode the mechanical _____, ate lots of barbequed _____ and swam in the _____ until it got dark.

(verb - past tense) (noun) (game) (animal) (food) (place to cool off)

Lizzie and Alex also made many new friends, whom they continued to see at the rink for the rest of the week. One girl was from _____ and they met a _____ their own age from _____. All the skaters traded _____ and exchanged email addresses so they can keep in touch until they see each other again at next year's Worlds in Anaheim, California, where they are already planning a trip to Disneyland together!

(a place) (noun) (foreign country) (noun - plural)

The Layback is a beautiful spin performed at the Freestyle 6 level. The skater's head must be back below the shoulders, and you will often see a wide variety of arm and free leg positions.

*How many times can you find LAYBACK in the puzzle below?
(Look for 12 of them in all different directions.)*

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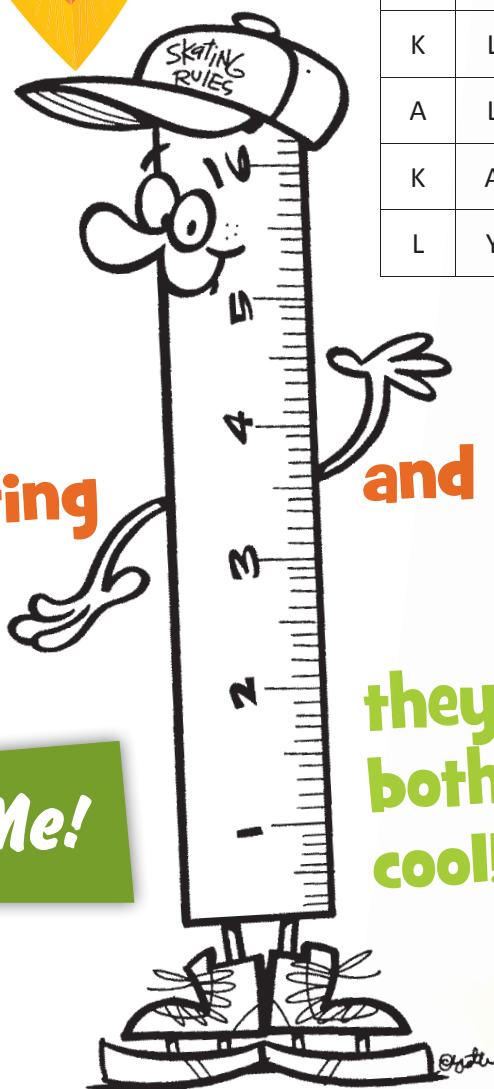


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both so
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competitions

september

- 14-16** Arlington TX
ICE at The Parks
9th Annual Open Competition
- 15-16** Valencia CA
Ice Station Valencia
7th Annual Autumn Classic
- 21-23** Gatlinburg TN
Ober Gatlinburg Ice
Ober Gatlinburg ISI Invitational Competition

october



- 5-7** Las Vegas NV
Las Vegas Ice Center
ISI Adult Championships
- 6** Springdale AR
Jones Center for Families
Arkansas Figure Skating Association
Ozark Invitational
- 6-7** Brookings SD
Larson Ice Center
Brookings Figure Skating Club
Brookings Prairie Classic
- 13** Roseville CA
Skatetown
Octoberfest Open
- 20-21** Irmo SC
Plex Indoor Sports & Ice
Palmetto Skate Club
Palmetto Classic
- 20-21** Aliso Viejo CA
Aliso Viejo Ice Palace
17th Annual ISI Open Competition
- 26-27** Woodbury MN
Bielenberg Sport Center
Skate Woodbury ISI Classic 2012
- 27** Escondido CA
Iceoplex Escondido
Haunted Halloween Spooktacular
- 27** Simi Valley CA
Iceoplex Simi Valley
10th Annual ISI Open Competition
- 28** Redwood City CA
Nazareth Ice Oasis
October Challenge

november

- 3** Yorktown VA
Hampton Roads Iceplex
11th Annual Fall Classic Open
- 4** Anaheim CA
Anaheim ICE
12th Annual Anaheim ICE Synchronized Team Championships
- 10-11** Tampa FL
Ice Sports Forum
2012 Fall Challenge
- 10-11** Lakewood CA
Glacial Garden Skating Arena
16th Annual ISI Open Competition



january

- 10-13** Lake Placid NY
Olympic Arena
2013 ISI Lake Placid Championships

february



march

- 2-3** Newark OH
Lou & Gib Reese Ice Arena
2013 Newark Spring Open

april

- 6-7** Luverne MN
Blue Mound Ice Arena
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july



- 12-14** Blaine MN
Schwan Super Rink
ISI Synchronized Championships

- 22-27** Anaheim CA
The Rinks-Anaheim ICE
ISI World Recreational Team Championships

shows & exhibitions

november

- thru 16** Pennsauken NJ
Flyers Skate Zone Ice Skating Rink
Medford Figure Skating Club
Summer Sizzler
- 24-Dec. 16** Arlington TX
ICE at The Parks
Holiday at The Parks

december

- 2** Nashville TN
Centennial Ice Rinks-Nashville
Holiday Ice Show
- 4-8** Knoxville TN
Ice Chalet-Knoxville
Nutcracker On Ice
- 5-6** Honolulu HI
Ice Palace Hawaii
Winter Show
- 9** Escondido CA
Iceoplex Escondido
Viva Las Vegas Holiday Show
- 15** Newark OH
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april

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