

JCFSC NEWS



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President's Letter

I hope everyone had a happy and safe holiday season. Seems like 2007 flew by so quickly!

The weather has already changed our schedule so make sure to note the changes on your calendar. If any other changes are needed due to weather, the information will be posted on our website.

Speaking of the website, it is amazing to see how this has grown over the years. We started the website in June 2005. During that year, we averaged 60 visits to the site each month for the 7 months that it was up and running. The average for 2007 was 368 visitors each month!

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Don't forget that we have our Family Skate Night coming up on January 3rd! All family members can join their skater on the ice. Bring a dish and come join the fun. Hope to see you there!

Have a wonderful New Year in 2008!
 Kristi Rydman

Calendar Changes

Classes were canceled on December 6th due to weather conditions. Skaters that attended the freestyle session will still receive credit for that session.

December 13 should have been our evaluation night for ice show levels. Due to the weather the week before, we have changed evaluation night to be January 10th. This night will be lesson 10.

Family Skate Night is still scheduled for January 3rd. Lessons 11 – 15 will be on January 17, 24, 31 and February 7 and 14. The February 14th lesson will be the final evaluation night for this season.

February 21st is the exhibition night for non-feature skaters. Any skater who has a feature part in the ice show is not eligible to skate during this night. Exhibition night will be from 6:0 pm to 8:00 pm.

Ice show rehearsals will be on February 28, March 6, 12, and 20th. Club rehearsal run through will be on March 27th. Watch for more information as it gets closer to ice show time.

If any additional nights are cancelled due to the weather, check our website at www.JCFSC.com. An email will also be sent out via the website.

If you haven't signed up on the email list, you can do that by visiting www.jcfsc.com/list and you can add as many email addresses as you would like! You can also change your information if your email address ever changes.

Don't forget, second payments are due on January 10th! Please mail them to JCFSC, PO Box 106034, Jefferson City, MO 65110.

Family Skate Night & Feature Tryouts

January 3rd is Family Skate Night. Parks and Recreation will hold a 2 hour Freestyle Session until we use the ice at 5:00.

At 5:00 we will begin our Family Skate Night events. JCFSC will again provide hot dogs and we ask that everyone bring a dish to share. Family Skate Night events will consist of on ice games as well as public session style skating.

January is also National Skating Month, so bring a friend to skate with as well as the family! Family Skate Night will last until 7:15 pm.

Skaters who are Freeskate 5-6 or Graduate level with at least 50% participation are eligible to tryout for JCFSC feature parts. This will begin at 7:30. If you are planning to tryout and do not have a copy of the songs, rules or the outline, please visit the website under the "Members Area".

We will also need a few volunteers to help out during tryouts. If your child is trying out for a part, you can not help, sorry! We need parents of skaters who are snowplow, basic 1-5 or freeskate 1-4. If you are interested, please contact Kristi Rydman at kryd@mchsi.com.

Ice Show Volunteers

It is about time to start getting volunteers lined up for the upcoming Ice Show. If you are interested in helping out we are looking for people to help with costumes, props, selling flowers and monitors.

We will need quite a few people to help out as monitors and selling flowers. We typically have 3-4 people selling flowers all three nights and 5 monitors all three

nights as well as dress rehearsal night.

Volunteers do not pay admission the night that they volunteer. They will also receive a coupon for a free soda and popcorn from the concession stand.

If you are interested, watch the information table for sign up sheets or contact any board member.

Candle Fundraiser

First, I want to thank everyone for participating in the Pampered Chef fundraiser. Those that purchased or sold items help to raise approximately \$400.00 for the club. This amount is the amount that goes to the club and not into personal accounts. Unfortunately, this amount will only cover a little over 3 hours of ice time.

JCFSC pays for ice from 5:00 to 9:30 for 20 weeks. This adds up to be a lot of ice! Instead of raising prices each year, we opt to participate in fundraising events to keep the costs low.

This February the board has decided to participate in a candle selling fundraiser. We will sell 6 different

scented candles from Bonnots Mills Candle Co. These are great candles! They smell wonderful, burn evenly and sell very easily. The candles will sell for \$12.00 each and club will receive \$5.00 for every candle sold.

Many clubs require that their members either sell a certain dollar amount with fundraisers or commit to pay an amount equivalent to the fundraiser amount. JCFSC does not do this at this time, but it might become a necessity in the future as the price of ice increases.

If you have any questions, or would like to volunteer with this project, please contact any board member.

It is about time for our nominating committee to start gathering names of individuals who are interested in serving on the JCFSC board next year. It is a great way to learn how things work behind the scenes and stay involved in something with your child. If you are interested or have questions, contact Kristi Rydman (kryd@mchsi.com) or Christie Kincannon (cakincannon@aol.com).