

March - April 2011



Sun Valley Figure Skating Club

Sun Valley Figure Skating Club's
Spring Performance

'Dancing with Our Stars'

Featuring
"Jumpin Joe" Sabovcik

Saturday, April 30th at 4:00 p.m.
Indoor Ice Rink

On-Ice Reserved Seating \$25
Bleacher Seats \$10
Balcony Seats \$5

Tickets will be available at Chapter One Books & Chicken Lipps
Remaining tickets will be sold at the door

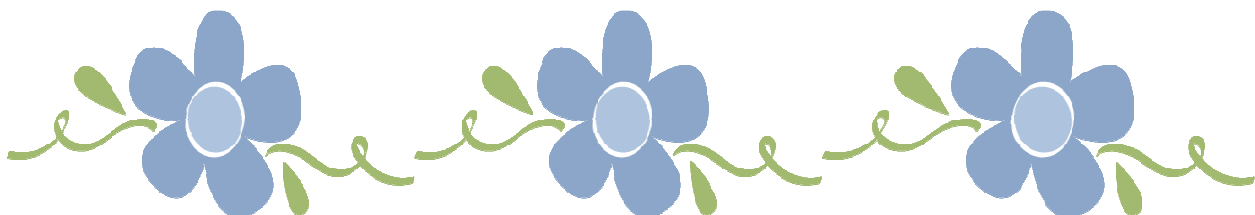
Limited On-Ice Reserved Seats available
Don't miss this opportunity for best seats in the house!

Spring Show
Parent Volunteers Still Needed!

Contact our show producer, Michelle Gentling
at
sgentling@aol.com

Rehearsal Schedule Posted

Check the Information Board
At the rink
Rehearsals begin April 11th.



Congratulations!



Sun Valley FSC Wins Most Outstanding Club at Jackson Hole Invitational

Eighteen local figure skaters competed for the Sun Valley Figure Skating Club in Jackson, Wyoming, March 10 through 12, returning with thirty three medals, four Special Awards and the “Most Outstanding Club at the 2011 Jackson Hole Invitational” trophy. Sixteen year old **Nicole Pratt**, a Wood River High tenth grader, won the *Sherrie Fleuter Award* for excellence in both artistic and freestyle skating and for representing the spirit of figure skating at the Jackson Hole Invitational. Pratt is coached and her programs choreographed by Darlin Baker. 11 year old **Lane Letourneau**, a Community School sixth grader, won the *Stillwell Award* for skating the most highly entertaining and creative showcase program. Letourneau is coached by Holly Wheeler, with her programs choreographed by Gia Guddat. **Pratt** also captured the Novice Ladies First Place Combined Free Skate trophy, and **Joyce Chan**, a Community School eighth grader, won the Intermediate Ladies First Place Combined Free Skate trophy. Chan is coached by Sonya Dunfield, with choreography by Guddat. Coaches Baker, Wheeler, Dunfield, and Guddat accompanied the SVFSC team to competition. Multiple gold medals were won by **Pratt** (3) and **Alexandra Harten** (3) competing at the Novice Ladies level, by **Joyce Chan** (4) competing at the Intermediate Ladies level, **Lane Letourneau** (2) at the Preliminary level, and by **Antonia Avery** (2), competing at both the Nontest and Basic Skills Free Skate 4 levels. Gold medals were also captured by **Arizona Semones** competing at the Pre Juvenile level, **Travis Flynt** at the Preliminary level and, **Alex Stuessi** at the Pre-preliminary level, **Tatum Fuller** at the Non test level, **Aurora Wilkinson** in Basic Skills Free Skate 5, and **Murphy Kendall** in Basic Skills 3. Silver medals were won by **Chan**, **Semones** (2), **L. Letourneau** (2), **A. Stuessi** (2), and **Wilkinson** in additional events. **Isabella Bourret** won silver competing at the Preliminary level. **Telar McClure** won bronze at the Intermediate Ladies level, and **Grace Eagan** took bronze at the Open Juvenile level. **Emma Stuessi** won silver and bronze competing at the Preliminary level. **Travis Flynt**, **Alex Stuessi** and **Antonia Avery** took bronze in additional events. **Caitlin Sholtis** also competed in Intermediate Ladies.

The competition concluded with an event the Jackson Hole host club designed purely for entertainment, “Gong Showcase,” in which single and pairs of skaters skate zany comedy programs before costumed judges who send them packing by banging a large Gong. **Alexandra Harten** and **Joyce Chan** proudly captured First Place in “Medium Pairs Gong” with “Beware of the Blob.” Competing in “Low Gong Showcase,” **Lane Letourneau** and **Emma Stuessi** won Second Place with “Pants on the Ground/Whip Your Hair Around,” and **Blake Letourneau** and **Alex Stuessi** placed fourth with “Black Swan/White Swan.”

Test Results

The Jackson Hole Figure Skating Club hosted a USFS test session preceding the competition. Sun Valley skaters **Travis Flynt** and **Sheldon Gentling** attended. **Flynt** passed his Preliminary and Pre Juvenile Free Skate tests, which qualifies him to compete at the Pre Juvenile level. **Gentling** passed her Juvenile Moves in the Field test, the fourth of eight tests in the series.

Skaters **Isabella Bourret** and **Grace Hoffman** attended the March 27th USFS test session hosted by the Boise Figure Skating Club. **Bourret** passed her Juvenile Moves in the Field and Pre-Juvenile Free Skate tests and **Hoffman** passed her Juvenile Moves in the Field test.

Group Photo ID: Front Row: Nicole Pratt, Alexandra Harten, Caitlin Sholtis, Joyce Chan, Gracie Eagan and Telar McClure. **Back Row:** Sheldon Gentling, Antonia Avery, Arizona Semones, Blake Letourneau, Travis Flynt, Lane Letourneau, Emma Stuessi, Alex Stuessi, Isabella Bourret. Not pictured: Aurora Wilkinson, Tatum Fuller and Murphy Kendall.



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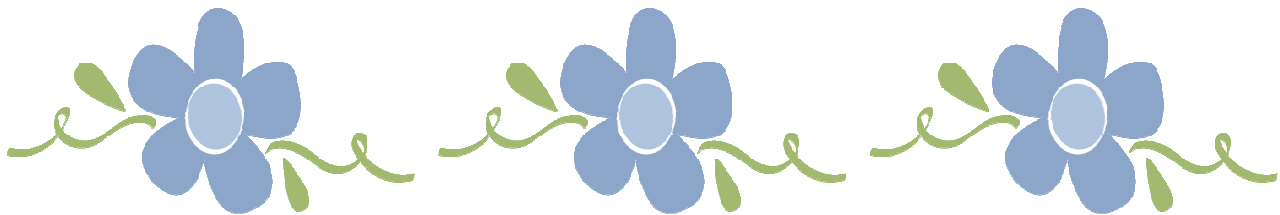


Joyce Chan, SVFSC Associate member, won the **Intermediate Ladies First Place Combined Free Skate Trophy** at the Jackson Hole Invitational.

 Historically, SVFSC only reports competition results and awards won by full members, but due to Joyce's unusual situation (she lives, trains, and attends school here full time, so her home club in Hong Kong is not in a position to include her in their own activities or report her results for her), the Board has decided that it would be appropriate and friendly to make an exception for Joyce, treating her as a special guest and including her in SVFSC activities and reporting. The Board is currently working on written policy regarding reporting for associate members, as well as new general membership guidelines. Both will be posted on the website when complete.



The Jackson Hole Invitational wasn't all work—there was quite a bit of play as well! Coach Darlin Baker organized a tubing get-together that welcomed all SVFSC skaters to join the fun, and the traditional St. Patrick's Day competitor's party included a "Decorate You Coach Green" contest, with a new twist this year... a Dance Off! Three coaches entered, including our own Gia Guddat. Gia, who was decorated on-site by Caitlin Sholtis, Antonia Avery, Joyce Chan and Alex Harten, busted some pretty wicked moves to claim the Championship. Caitlin and Antonia carried the momentum by winning First and Third Place, respectively, in the "Best Hat Contest." Gia, Caitlin and Antonia all came home with trophies for their efforts. Previous Sun Valley FSC Jackson Hole party winners include Darlin Baker (Green Coach), Alex Harten (Best Hat), and Julianna Lamb (2x Best Hat Winner). At one JHI competition a few years ago, Julianna's white poodle was dyed green... the dog still growls at the perpetrators of this crime!



Frank and Anita's Adventures. . . . A note from Anita:

Hello Skaters!

We are in week 3 of the 'WOW Show on Ice' here in Eilat, Israel and the theater says the tickets sales are the best they have ever been for this time of year, they love the show, and have offered an extension of the show date to February 2012.

So, Frank and I will stay here for the next 10 months. I will miss you all very much in Sun Valley this summer!

Cheers, Anita



Professional hair and makeup for the WOW video shoot

Volunteer Hours. . . Don't Forget!

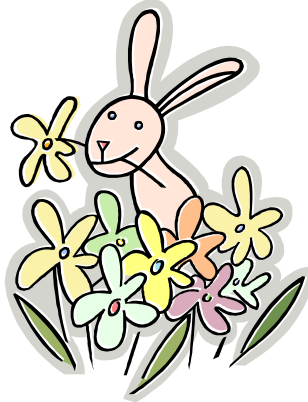
Skaters, please complete SVFSC's community service slip, logging your volunteer hours! Paperwork is available at the club office.

Upcoming Events and Calendar Notes

- McCall Figure Skating Club Test Session, Friday April 15th
- McCall FSC's 'Skate by the Lake' Competition: Saturday and Sunday, April 16-17
- SVFSC's Spring Show: 'Dancing with our Stars.' Saturday, April 30th, 5:00p.m.
- Boise Figure Skating Club Test Session: Friday, June 17, 2011
- Boise Ice Classic, Saturday and Sunday, June 18-19, 2011
- Turn in club membership paperwork and dues before July 1, 2011
- 2011 U.S. Collegiate Championships: Sun Valley, July 21-24th
- The 2011 Sun Valley Summer Championship: July 21-24th
- 2012 Northwest Championships, Spokane, Washington September 30-October 5, 2011
- 2012 Pacific Coast Sectionals will be held in Salt Lake City, Utah November 15-19, 2011

Club Member Information

Information and updates regarding competitions, tests, past newsletters, membership and more can be found on the SVFSC website at: <http://sunvalleyfsc.com>



- Questions about the club can be emailed to: info@sunvalleyfsc.com.
- Newsletter submissions are due the last week of the month. Suggestions are greatly appreciated!
- Please send comments and submissions to Karen Hoffman at roadschoolers@gmail.com.