

Memorial Figure Skating Club of Houston

June 2012 Special Edition Newsletter

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We don't set the gold standard-we are the gold standard.

Board of Directors

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Benefits to join a club:

- ❖ Test Sessions
- ❖ Participating in and representing your home club at competitions
- ❖ Sponsorship for National competitors
- ❖ Skating Magazine from USFSA
- ❖ Monthly newsletter
- ❖ Annual social events
- ❖ Friendship
- ❖ Memories to last a lifetime
- ❖ And most importantly, FUN!

New Membership Dues

One of our new club's many changes is our new set of membership prices! The dues for the 2012-2013 season are listed below:

For Renewing Club Members

(Those who were members of Texas Elite FSC for the 2011-2012 season)~

- ❖ Family Membership ~ \$160
- ❖ Junior Membership ~ \$130
- ❖ Collegiate Membership ~ \$100
- ❖ Senior Membership ~ \$100
- ❖ Secondary Membership ~ \$50
- ❖ Coach Membership* ~ \$20

For New Club Members ~

- ❖ Family Membership ~ \$200
- ❖ Junior Membership ~ \$160
- ❖ Collegiate Membership ~ \$130
- ❖ Senior Membership ~ \$130
- ❖ Secondary Membership ~ \$60
- ❖ Coach Membership* ~ \$30
- ❖ Introductory Membership ~ \$65

**Note: No charge for coaches if minimum of 4 students are MFSCH members*

To enroll in MFSCH for the 2012-2013 season, please complete our Membership Application and mail it to our club P.O. Box. Applications can be found at our membership table, which will be set up near the Ice Skate USA front desk every Monday-Saturday for the rest of June.

Please note that all applications sent in after July 9th, 2012 will be subjected to a late fee of \$25.

For more information regarding membership, please contact:

*Barbara Swift, MFSCH Membership Chair ~
bbswift@sbcglobal.net*

*Linda Flynn, MFSCH President ~
lfflynn@lgc.com*

Members' Welcome Breakfast
Breakfast is on us next week! On Thursday, June 28th and Friday, June 29th, coffee and donuts will be available at our membership table for all MFSCH skaters and parents from 7 a.m. - 10 a.m. You know what they say- breakfast is the most important meal of the day!

July Club Ice
Great news, members! Beginning July 2012, we will have club ice available every week! All MFSCH members currently in good standing are able to skate free of charge and even take part in special events we will be holding on occasions throughout the year.

For all of July, club ice will be held every Saturday from 12:15 pm. - 12:45 p.m. and every Sunday from 7:45 a.m. - 8:45 a.m. Club ice times for the future are pending and will be announced soon.

We encourage all our club skaters to take advantage of this wonderful opportunity! Hope to see you there!

Annual Members' Meeting
To kick off the new 2012-2013 skating season, we will be hosting an Annual Members' Meeting! The event will be held sometime in early September, although the exact date is still to be determined. Further details will be coming soon!

New MFSCH Dasher Board
Keep your eye out for an upcoming addition to Ice Skate USA's walls-Our club has ordered a brand new USFSA dasher board with "Home of The Memorial Figure Skating Club of Houston". The savvy décor will be mounted proudly upon our home rink's walls for all to see very soon, so watch out for it!

Make-Up Test Session
For our skaters who were unable to test at our May 6th Test Session: We will be holding a make-up test sometime in July during club ice. You will be notified with more information. Once again, we would like to offer our deepest apologies if we have caused any trouble or inconvenience to you and your families with our shortened test.

Ice Skate USA 2012 Summer Show
MFSCH's home rink, Ice Skate USA, will be hosting their annual summer show later this month. Many of our club skaters will be featured alongside the talents of World and National level champions. Come on out and be

taken across the ice into a world filled with your favorite movie and show characters of the ages!

A Message from our Rink Director:

“I’m anticipating the Summer Show Production 2012 with much excitement. The skaters are so very talented and are really bringing their all into their skating. I’m immensely proud of every one of them and can’t wait to watch them perform on show day. Hang on tight to your seats; this one’s going to blow you away!” ~Alexey Gruber

When: Saturday, June 30th, 2012 @ 3:00 P.M.

Where: Ice Skate USA, Memorial City Mall

Volunteer Opportunities

Among our many changes for the new season, MFSCH now requires club parents to log in at least 4 volunteer hours per enrollment year.

Some great ways to volunteer your time:

- ❖ Competitions*
- ❖ Exhibitions*
- ❖ Test sessions*
- ❖ Club parties*
- ❖ Annual Members’ Meeting*
- ❖ Membership Sign-Up Table*
- ❖ Any other club related activity requiring additional personnel to facilitate that event*

If you have any questions concerning volunteer hours and/or whether or not a specific event counts towards these hours, please contact:

*Linda Flynn, MFSCH President ~
lflynn@lgc.com*

Mentoring Program

A mentoring program will soon be offered to all our club skaters! This program will help establish strong and healthy friendships amongst our club skaters and teach them important life values. Older skaters will learn about leadership, responsibility, and how to achieve the qualities of being a good role model. Younger skaters will have the opportunity to have an older skater to look up to and see what it truly takes to be a successful, well-rounded person.

Further information and sign-up applications will be available in July.

Ice Etiquette & Safety Class

MFSCH is currently working with Ice Skate USA in starting a safety class. All club skaters and regular skaters of ISUSA will be required to take this course. They will be educated about proper ice etiquette and mainly safety practices. We are always looking for opportunities to further promote a safe and healthy environment for our skaters to skate at!