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March 2014

The Coolest Place In DC

Rinkroundup



District Solicits Proposals

Plans for New Rink Move Forward

The DC Department of General Services has released a solicitation for architectural and engineering services related to the future construction of a two-sheet ice rink for Fort Dupont. This is the first step since the project was approved last spring. According to the *Washington Business Journal*, construction is slated to begin sometime in FY 2016. The new, expanded facility is expected to be built in two phases

allowing the rink to continue operations during construction. The District has budgeted \$15.4 million for the project. The Friends of Fort Dupont Ice Arena will be launching a capital campaign to raise additional funds for the project. Anyone interested in assisting with this campaign is encouraged to contact Ron Slomski, Director of Fundraising, at 202-584-5007 ext. 21 or via e-mail at rslomki@fdia.org.

Hockey Is For Everyone

Capitals Player Practices With Kids On Ice

Washington Capitals right winger, Joel Ward came to FDIA in February to practice with the Fort Dupont Cannons and KOI Learn-To-Play hockey players as part of the Capitals "Teammates for Kids" program. Ward spent time on and off the ice with 50 boys and girls. The Capitals presented Cannons' Coach Neal Henderson with a large donation on behalf of the NHL team. The evening was "capped" off with a pizza party. Special thanks to Joel and the Washington Capitals for their generous support.



Joel Ward speaks with kids and coaches

**Inaugural National Capital Area Basic Skills Series Competition Starts Here
FDIA Hosts First of Three Events**

On Saturday, March 15 our Kids On Ice will join skaters from ice rinks in MD, DC and VA in a basic skills competition sanctioned by U.S. Figure Skating. The Competition Series gives skaters the chance to develop their USFS Basic Skills in a fun, competitive environment. Hagerstown Ice and Sports Complex and Capital Clubhouse in Waldorf will also host events in

the series. Skaters will be judged in both compulsory and freeskating elements and accumulate points to earn awards that will be handed out at the final event. For more information visit our website at www.fdia.org or contact Leticia Moreno Enos at 202-584-5007 ext. 13. Good Luck Kids!

Public Skating Sessions will resume in July check www.fdia.org for dates & times HAVE A GREAT SPRING!

Dates To Remember	
June 30—July 2	Synchronized Skating Camp
July 14-18	Figure Skating Camp; Summer Skating School Week 1
July 28—Aug. 1	Summer Skating School Week 2
Aug. 11—16	Summer Skating School Week 3

FDIA Hosts Special Competition Speed Racers Draw Big Crowd



The DC Special Olympics held their annual speed skating competition at FDIA again this year, complete with a parade of athletes, Olympic torch and medal ceremony. Enthusiastic athletes from 10 area schools participated with family and friends on hand to watch. Special thanks to DC Special Olympics and Coach Nat Mills who made this a such a fun day for everyone.



Destination Sochi Events Inspire Olympic Dreams

Kids On Ice students got into the Olympic Spirit in February, participating in several competitive events at FDIA over the Presidents Day Weekend. Learn To Play Hockey athletes were judged on their skating, stick and puck skills. Speed skaters vied to get the fastest times. KOI skaters were grouped into three teams for a skills competition and judged on their ability to perform basic moves on the ice. For some skaters, this was their first competition experience. Everyone did a really good job and had a great time. No doubt many were thinking about the athletes they watched compete at the Olympic Games in Sochi, Russia. Many thanks to the judges, parents and volunteers who worked hard to make these events successful. Also, special thanks to Coach Nat and several parents for their technical assistance that made it possible for us to watch live Olympic coverage of speed skating events and Ice Hockey on a large screen in the lobby. Kids, keep practicing. Every skater you saw on TV started out just like you....one basic skill at a time. Maybe one day we'll be watching you on a screen in the lobby of FDIA as you compete for Team USA at the Olympic Games.



ATTENTION KOI SKATERS
Please return all loaner skates, costumes and hockey equipment as soon as possible so they can be cleaned, sharpened and repaired for next season.



Two Countries, One Sport FDIA Makes International Connection On Ice

Fort Dupont Ice Arena is pleased to introduce a new addition to the KOI family, our "sister" rink in Metula, Israel. Over the past few months FDIA has been looking at ways to develop cultural exchange opportunities for our skaters. The hockey rink in Metula Israel, Canada Centre, is excited to be working with us to make it happen. We are both doing incredible things to change our small parts of the world and feel that together we can do even more. Recently, some of Metula's kids were visiting DC and they stopped in for a skate and pizza with our Kids On Ice (see pictures below). Everyone hit it off right away, and friendships have already begun to form. We are extremely excited to be taking a handful of our kids to Israel this July for both sightseeing and hockey. Stay tuned for more news as the relationship grows.



Special thanks to all the teams, clubs, players, coaches, parents and volunteers for another great season. We look forward to seeing you in the fall.



Have Your Party Here!



If you're looking for a fun, affordable, and COOL way to celebrate a birthday, anniversary or special occasion, reserve our party room for the event. Available most Saturdays September—March., first come first served. A non-refundable fee of \$100 is required to make a reservation. The fee includes use of the party room for 4 hours, as well as admission and skate rental for 10 people to skate during the public skating session. Additional skating guests cost just \$5.00 each. There is no charge for non-skaters. Call 202-584-5007 or e-mail jrossi@fdia.org for more information.

NOW ACCEPTING RESERVATIONS FOR 2014-15 SEASON

The business office will be open from 9am to 4pm
Monday thru Friday
March 17-June 27.
Enjoy your spring.
See you next season!



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