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RinkRoundup

May 2015

NOW ACCEPTING SUMMER CAMP REGISTRATIONS

Summer Skating Camp
July 13-17
July 27-31
For all skill levels
Must be entering grades 2-8 in Sept.



Figure Skating Camp

July 13-17
For basic 6 and up



Synchronized Skating Camp
August 10-14
For Basic 3 and up



Important Dates To Remember

June 1	Summer Camp Scholarship Application Deadline
June 4	Do More 24 Day of giving—Go to our website!
July 13	Fall Basic Skills and P.L.U.S. Registration Opens
July 13 – 17	Figure Skating Camp and Summer Skating Camp – Week 1
July 27 – 31	Summer Skating Camp – Week 2
August 10-14	Synchronized Skating Camp
August 14	Basic Skills Registration Deadline for Returning Students
August 21	Basic Skills Deadline for New Students
August 28	KOI Basic Skills Class Assignments Announced

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Swizzle Away the Summer Sizzle at FDIA Our Summer Camps are the Coolest!



Kids love summer camp at FDIA. Our week long programs, staffed by professional instructors and experienced camp counselors, include on- and off-ice activities designed to encourage fitness and teamwork in an atmosphere of fun. Choose from:

Summer Skating Camp, open to children entering grades 2-8 in September, will be offered two weeks this year, July 13-17 and July 27-31 from 9am—5pm. Perfect for beginners through Basic 5.

Figure Skating Camp, for all ages who have completed Basic 5 and above skill levels, will be held July 13-17 from 8:30 am-5pm.

Synchronized Skating Camp, for skaters ages 7 and up who have passed Basic 2 or an equivalent skating level through preliminary field moves will be held August 10-14 from 9am—5pm

All summer programs culminate in an end-of-week performance for friends and family. The weekly cost per child averages \$300 with sibling and multiple week discounts available. In addition, a limited number of needs-based scholarships are available. The **Scholarship application deadline is June 1**. Class sizes are limited, so register today!

Registration forms and additional information on all summer camp programs can be found in our lobby and online at <http://fdia.org/content/summer-camps>.



How YOU Can Make Summer Special Contribute to Our Scholarship Fund

Summer is just around the corner and FDIA needs your help to make it special. Last year we awarded over \$30,000 in scholarships to kids in our summer programs. This year our goal is to raise \$45,000 for the **Terri Ann Lowenthal Kids Love To Skate Scholarship Fund**, enabling more children to participate in our camps and cultural exchange program.

Imagine the impact your donation can make on a child who may otherwise spend the summer in front of the TV or playing video games. Our programs are not only fun, they teach kids important life lessons about healthy living, teamwork, self-confidence, goal setting, conflict resolution, and nutrition.

In addition to a variety of summer camp programs, FDIA is once again offering a handful of young hockey players the chance to participate in the "Israel Experience". This 10-day trip, coordinated with our sister rink in Metula, Israel, brings together young athletes of widely different religious and economic backgrounds to work, train, and play together both on and off the ice.

Participants will get to visit many of Israel's historic cities and landmarks, forge new friendships, and return with lasting memories.

Please consider making your generous contribution today.

KOI® Skaters Triumph in Area Competitions

The 2015 *Diversity Classic* Basic Skills Competition marked the kick-off of the 2nd Annual National Capital Area Basic Skills Competition Series. The Series, which had its inauguration last year, is four area basic skills competitions where skaters collect points for each placement they receive. At the end of the series, the skater with the most points in their division receives a “series” medal for placement.

The Basic Skills series has been a great way to expose our skaters to competitive skating, meet skaters from other rinks, and gain skating experience outside of Fort Dupont. This year we have 14 skaters participating in the series. At the second event in Hagerstown, MD, we had 4 skaters take 1st place, with solid performances by all our other skaters. The next event will be the *Glide Into Spring* competition at Capital Clubhouse in Waldorf on May 2nd, with the series finale taking place at the *Blades of Summer* competition at the Prince William Ice Center on May 31st. We applaud our skaters for continuing their hard work during the Fort Dupont “break”. If you think your skater may want to participate next year, come to a competition and witness the action first-hand. You won’t want to miss the fun next year.



2015 Series Participants: **Eleanor Ashdown, Dot Centofanti, Winnie Centofanti, Khadi Diallo, Eyonna Edwards, Katherine Hallewell, Jaiden Harris-Thomas, Hannah-Grace Henson, Alexandria Himes, Lacie James, Layla James, Julianna Lightfoot, Erin O’Neill, Tatum Primus, and Meredith Simon**

FDIA Speedskaters Continue to Impress



Kids On Ice® speedskaters **Ryan Hack** and **Henry Middlebrook**, pictured here left to right, captured 1st place overall in their respective classifications, Midget and Junior, at the 2015 Middle Atlantic Short Track Championships (MASTC) staged at The Rinks at Shelton in Shelton, Connecticut on Saturday, 7 March 2015. The following weekend, Ryan and Henry had great finishes at the KOI Speedskating Races at FDIA. Ryan won the 26.2 lap marathon event and Henry made it a four-peat in the one-hour skate-a-thon, besting the 2014 record by a full lap!

Also, congratulations to former KOI Speedskater, **Maame Biney**, who won her fifth straight US National age-group title last month. Maame swept past the competition to place first in four individual races, setting a new record in the 500 meter race—also for the 5th straight year!

We couldn’t be more proud of all three athletes!



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 \$125 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 12 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 2015-16 season.

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NEW BUILDING UPDATE



Plans for the new rink are getting serious. Pictured above are FDIA representatives, architects, engineers, construction managers and more in a big meeting with the city.

Do You Love Technology? FDIA Needs Your Help!

Having recently lost our IT specialist, William McDaniels of PC Eternal, Inc., to a west coast opportunity, we are currently looking for someone willing to lend their talent and expertise to the rink as a computer consultant. While our needs are not huge, we occasionally have issues beyond the experience of the staff.



If you, or someone you know, is interested please contact Janet Rossi at 202-584-5007, ext 25 or via e-mail jrossi@fdia.org.

Sweet Success for Synchro

On February 15, Fort Dupont Freedom Synchronized Skating teams had their competitive debut at the Reflections Synchronized Skating Invitational in Hershey, Pennsylvania at the Giant Center. Both teams had great skates for their first time skating in a 10,000+ seat arena. The Beginner 2 team skating to the *Little Mermaid* took home a bronze medal and the Beginner 3 Team skating to *Bad to the Bone* and *Get Your Motor Runnin’* took home a silver medal.



Fort Dupont Freedom Beginner 3 Team



Help Support Kids On Ice® With Your Tax-Deductible Contribution

- \$50 Sponsors one child for an 8 week Learn to Skate session
- \$250 Sponsors two children for a year of KOI P.L.U.S.
- \$500 Sponsors for 60 students in our Schools Skate For Fitness Program
- \$1000 Covers the cost of 10 new pairs of skates
- \$ _____ Any amount you can send today helps keep our programs going!

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Please make checks payable to Friends of Fort Dupont Ice Arena and mail to 3779 Ely Place SE, Washington, DC 20019. Or, make a secure donation online at www.fdia.org using VISA, MasterCard or Discover