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## 2010 Atlanta Open Application Now Online



### Registration

This year the Atlanta Open registration process will include the option of online or paper applications. The online version will accept only MasterCard® or Visa® credit cards. Both applications and instructions are posted on the website, and the entry deadline is **May 6**.

All juvenile and above free skate and short program events will require submission of a Planned Program Content form through US Figure Skating's Members Only website no later than **June 4**.

Note that we will implement Governing Council changes on a case-by-case basis. Please check the website for updates.

### New Events

New events are no test - juvenile/open juvenile showcase. Skaters who place 1st - 4th in a contested event will automatically qualify for the 2010 National Showcase competition to be hosted by the Bourne Skating Club in Cape Cod, MA on August 5 - 7.

### Critiques/Final Rounds

Critiques will be offered for juvenile - senior free skate events only. Skaters must sign up at registration at least one day in advance. Final rounds will be skated for juvenile - senior free skate events if there is a minimum number of entries.

## Ryan Bradley To Perform Exhibition at Atlanta Open

Missouri native Ryan Bradley began skating at age two, and by the age of nine, he landed a double Axel, triple Salchow and triple toe loop. His talent apparent, the entire Bradley family relocated to Colorado Springs when he was 12 so that he could train at the Colorado Springs World Arena, where he has been coached by Tom Zakrajsek for many years.

The move was definitely worthwhile: Ryan is the 2009 and 2010 U.S. Championships pewter medalist, the 2007 U.S. Championships silver medalist (during which he celebrated with a famous on-ice back flip), a three-time U.S. Collegiate champion (2005-07), and the 1999 U.S. junior champion.

A former Atlanta Open competitor(!), he brought down the house at the 2004 U.S. Championships here in Atlanta with his "New York, New York" program, and his favorite music appropriately includes "Devil Came Down From Georgia." The living celebrity he would like to meet is Michael Jordan so he could "be in the presence of greatness." We are honored to be in the presence of greatness ourselves! Please give Ryan a warm Georgia welcome!



# Nomination Committee Announces BOD Candidates



The 2010 Nomination Committee comprised of Barry Johnson, Jane Jud, Tea Junnila, Kim Leftwich, Tami Mickle (chair), and Marybeth Rathbun is pleased to announce the following Board of Directors stellar slate of candidates:

## Senior Candidates



Jeannette Doney



Judith Flair



Sharon Hyre



Gloria Lewis

## Junior Candidates



Anna Marie Champion



Christi Fisher



Dale Haar



Louise Szanto

Five positions must be filled, and at least one senior member will be elected to fulfill our club by-law requirements.

Departing Board members are **Anya Martynenko** and **Tami Mickle**. **Sharon Hyre**, **Judith Flair**, and **Louise Szanto**, current BOD members, are seeking another term. Remaining on the BOD are **John Millier**, **Terri Steiner**, **Brittney Bottoms**, and **Kathy Shehee** (all senior) and **Leon Qiao** (junior).

Ballots were available on March 13 and will be distributed to all eligible members by April 15. **All ballots must be returned by April 30.** Results will be posted at the rinks.

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## USFS Governing Council Delegates

**Brittney Bottoms**, **Sharon Hyre**, **Gloria Lewis**, **John Millier**, and **Kathy Shehee** will serve as delegates representing the Atlanta FSC at the 2010 US Figure Skating Governing Council on April 29 - May 2 in Costa Mesa, CA.



LEFT: Coach **Barbara Wagner** (on train) celebrated the 50th anniversary of her Olympic Pairs gold medal by serving as a torch bearer at the 2010 Vancouver Olympic Games in February. Don't miss her new book - **Skating 102**.

You can also watch an 11-Alive interview with Barbara at <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8YF35kRmjls>.



**Where were you born?**

*I was born in Oak Hill, West Virginia. I am an Atlanta re-tread; I've lived here in two phases, the first one for five years, and the second one for 22 years.*

**What keeps you motivated to continue skating?**

*Two things: the challenge presented by learning something new and the physical benefits of improved brain/body coordination.*

**What is your weekly training regimen?**

*I get to skate only twice a week, and I work out three days a week doing upper body weights, flexibility exercises, and walking/running.*

**What are your favorite and least favorite elements?**

*My favorite aspect of dance is moving to music with a partner. My least favorite aspect is musical timing, which is difficult for me because I have no musicality. I grasp the timing only after doing a dance to the music many times.*

**Competitive accomplishments; favorite music/program.**

*I used to compete not only in dance, but also in synchronized skating. I won silver medals in dance in a couple of local competitions, and a silver medal with the adult synchronized team at ISIA nationals. My favorite dance music is any waltz because my Dad waltzed with me when I was a little girl.*

**Tell us about your education and career.**

*The last school I attended was The Ohio State University College of Law. I graduated with honors. I was elected to Phi Beta Kappa as an undergraduate. I have done tax work my entire professional life; I was an assistant attorney general in Ohio, the state and local tax counsel for The Coca-Cola Company and a litigating tax attorney for AT&T. Now, I consult with corporations.*

**What is the most thrilling event of your skating career?**

*When I passed my last Silver Dance - completing the Silver Dance Test was my goal, and any other dance I might pass will be whipped cream on the sundae!*

**Who is your favorite skater?**

*Paul Wylie. I'll never forget how thrilled he was to win his silver medal in Albertville. He has lived up to the Olympic image.*

**Whom do you admire most?**

*The Greatest Generation - their sacrifices during World War II saved our country for us.*

**Tell us about your family.**

*I am a middle child with two brothers. When I was a child, the family had a parakeet named "Cutie." My mother taught him how to whistle. My allergies prevent me from having pets now.*

**Extracurricular activities/hobbies?**

*Skating is my main hobby, but I also love to read American history and mystery/adventure novels.*

*I have volunteered at church, and of course, I volunteer with the Atlanta FSC. I have also served on the Board of Directors.*

**Best advice you have ever received?**

*From my mother: "Think for yourself."*

**Favorite word: Dessert**

**Least favorite word: Vegetables**

**What turns me off: Greed**

**Favorite quote:** "A faithful friend is a sturdy shelter; who finds one finds a treasure." ~ The Book of Sirach

**Favorite book:** John Adams by David McCullough

**Favorite song:** "Some Enchanted Evening" from the musical "South Pacific."

**Favorite movie:** Any "Star Trek" movie

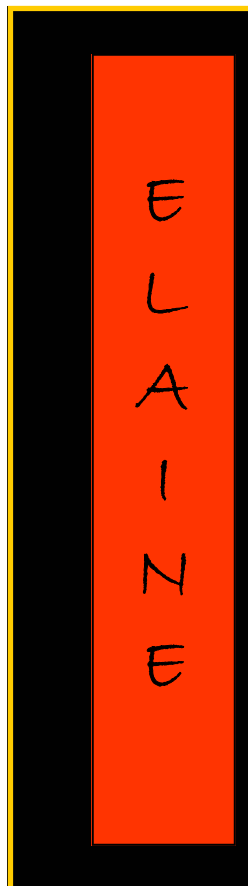
**Sounds I love:** Birds chirping

**A sound I dislike:** A dentist's drill

**I would never want to be:** A dentist

**Three words that best describe me:** Loyal, caring, focused

**PS** Even when I don't skate well, I am grateful that I am able to skate at all.





**Magnolia Open Exhibitions**  
February 27 and March 5



Front Row, l to r): Abigail Dickinson, Lydia Choe, Catherine Yen, and Alexa Davila. Back row: Anne Cole, Madeleine Brown, Katelyn Champion, Mattea Gernentz, Nancy Riggs, Emily Haar, Sydnie Jiang, Noelle Link, and Elvira Junnila.



Front Row, l to r): Julia Gu, Katherine Fei, Claire Sosnow, Ansleigh Rainey, Ying Yip, Jabe Roberts, and Megan Joseph. Back Row: Gabrielle Kuse, Maya Neel, Alice Tang, Helena Fisher, Ally Chebuhar, Nicole Reed, Natalie Mueller, Julia Kornetzke, and Yu Qian Yip.

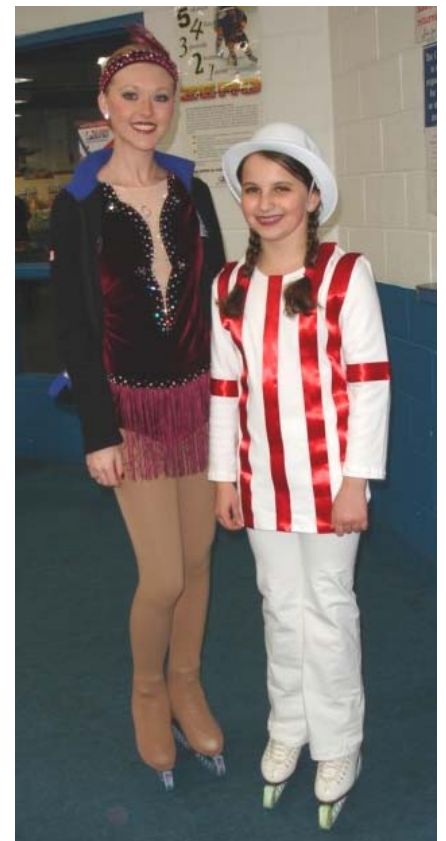


# From Volunteers to Coaches to Skaters... You Made Magnolia Magnificent!



Thank you to all of the parents, skaters, coaches and friends who volunteered at the 2010 Magnolia Open! Your hard work and positive attitude garnered many well-deserved compliments. We are especially grateful to the area chairs who worked so many hours in preparation for, during, and after the competition.

Congratulations to all of our skaters - you're the best!





# Magnolia Open Results



## OPEN JUVENILE

### Free Skate

Grace Liu	1st/4
Maya Neel	2nd/4
Teara Preston	4th/4

### Short Program

Maya Neel	1st/4
Emily Haar	2nd/4
Grace Liu	3rd/4
Dezarae Vazquez	4th/4

## JUVENILE/OPEN JUVENILE

### Compulsory Moves

Helena Fisher	1st/6
Lillian Ko	2nd/6
Teara Preston	4th/6
Tinsley Cohen	5th/6

### Spins

Grace Liu	1st/6
Helena Fisher	2nd/6
Lillian Ko	3rd/6
Maya Neel	4th/6
Tinsley Cohen	5th/6
Teara Preston	6th/6

### Showcase

Ariel Collins	1st/3
Teara Preston	2nd/3

### Interpretive

Maya Neel	1st/2
Tinsley Cohen	2nd/2

## PRE-JUVENILE

### Free Skate

Helena Fisher	1st/5
Emily Haar	3rd/5
Dezarae Vazquez	4th/5

### Compulsory Moves

Sydney Jiang	1st/2
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### Spins

Dezarae Vazquez	1st/2
Lily Downing	2nd/2

### Showcase

Dezarae Vazquez	1st/3
Helena Fisher	2nd/3
Emily Haar	3rd/3

### Interpretive

Lily Downing	1st/1
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## PRELIMINARY

### Girls Free Skate, Grp. A

Alice Tang	1st/5
Megan Joseph	2nd/5
Sydney Jiang	3rd/5
Ally Chebuhar	4th/5

### Girls Free Skate, Grp. B

Olga Vacariuc	1st/5
Stephanie Niu	5th/5

### Boys Free Skate

Jabe Roberts	1st/1
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### Compulsory Moves, Grp. A

Sierra Henry	1st/7
Kayla Moradi	2nd/7
Maria Son	3rd/7
Grace Rathbun	4th/7
Natalie Martin	5th/7

### Compulsory Moves, Grp. B

Madeleine Brown	1st/7
Jabe Roberts	2nd/7
Julia Kornetzke	4th/7
Haiwen Gui	6th/7
Katie Creecy	7th/7

### Compulsory Moves, Grp. C

Olga Vacariuc	1st/6
Sarah Suh	3rd/6
Drew Bryant	4th/6
Rachel Korn	5th/6

### Spins, Grp. A

Ally Chebuhar	1st/7
Kayla Moradi	2nd/7
Maria Son	3rd/7
Sydney Jiang	4th/7
Grace Rathbun	5th/7
Lily Xie	6th/7
Renee Wang	7th/7

### Spins, Grp. B

Alice Tang	1st/6
Madeleine Brown	2nd/6
Jabe Roberts	4th/6
Drew Bryant	5th/6

### Showcase

Ally Chebuhar	1st/3
Sierra Henry	2nd/3
Sydney Jiang	2nd/3

### Interpretive

Megan Joseph	2nd/3
Sierra Henry	3rd/3

## PRE-PRELIMINARY

### A Free Skate, Grp. A

Grace Rathbun	1st/6
Lily Xie	2nd/6
Renee Wang	4th/6
Julia Gu	6th/6

### A Free Skate, Grp. B

Katie Creecy	1st/7
Julia Kornetzke	2nd/7
Mattea Gernentz	3rd/7
Emily Stark	6th/7
Natalie Mueller	7th/7

### A Free Skate, Grp. C

Rachel Korn	3rd/6
Sarah Suh	4th/6

### B Free Skate, Grp. A

Maria Son	1st/8
Grace Ying	2nd/8
Catherine Yen	3rd/8
Melody Wang	5th/8
Natalie Martin	6th/8
Kayla Moradi	8th/8

### B Free Skate, Grp. B

Madeleine Brown	1st/5
Haiwen Gui	2nd/5

### Compulsory Moves, Grp. A

Grace Ying	1st/8
Catherine Yen	2nd/8
Olivia Shapiro	3rd/8
Anne Cole	8th/8

### Compulsory Moves, Grp. B

Emily Stark	1st/8
Noelle Link	4th/8
Julia Gu	5th/8
Katelyn Champion	6th/8
Natalie Mueller	8th/8

### Compulsory Moves, Grp. C

Stephanie Niu	2nd/8
Gabrielle Kuse	6th/8

### Spins, Grp. A

Grace Ying	1st/7
Olivia Shapiro	5th/7
Katelyn Champion	7th/7

### Spins, Grp. B

Emily Stark	1st/6
Natalie Martin	5th/6
Mattea Gernentz	6th/6



# Magnolia Open Results (cont'd)



## PRE-PRELIMINARY

### Spins, Grp. C

Stephanie Niu	1st/5
Rachel Korn	3rd/5
Emily Brothman	4th/5
Gabrielle Kuse	5th/5

### Showcase - Solo

Grace Ying	1st/3
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### Interpretive

Grace Ying	1st/4
Grace Rathbun	4th/4

## NO TEST

### A Free Skate, Grp. A

Kaia Culotta	1st/10
Mingda Liu	2nd/10
Hannah Carleton	3rd/10
Ansleigh Rainey	5th/10
Katherine Fei	6th/10
Alexa Davila	7th/10
Claire Sosnow	8th/10

### A Free Skate, Grp. B

Ying Yip	2nd/9
Lydia Choe	4th/9
Abigail Dickinson	6th/9

### A Free Skate, Grp. C

Emily Nolan	1st/9
Sofiya Varshavskaya	2nd/9
Rachel Sinclair	5th/9
Alyssa Levitt	7th/9
Emma Harnett	9th/9

### B Free Skate, Grp. A

Anne Cole	2nd/9
Olivia Shapiro	5th/9
Elvira Junnila	8th/9

### B Free Skate, Grp. B

Emily Brothman	2nd/8
Katelyn Champion	3rd/8
Noelle Link	7th/8

### B Free Skate, Grp. C

Gabrielle Kuse	5th/8
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### Compulsory Moves, Grp. A

Mingda Liu	1st/9
Kaia Culotta	2nd/9
Elvira Junnila	3rd/9
Ansleigh Rainey	5th/9
Claire Sosnow	7th/9

## NO TEST

### Compulsory Moves, Grp. A

Mingda Liu	1st/9
Kaia Culotta	2nd/9
Elvira Junnila	3rd/9
Ansleigh Rainey	5th/9
Claire Sosnow	7th/9

### Compulsory Moves, Grp. B

Lydia Choe	4th/10
Alexa Phillips	5th/10
Rachel Sinclair	6th/10
Hannah Carleton	7th/10
Ying Yip	8th/10

### Compulsory Moves, Grp. C

Sofiya Varshavskaya	2nd/8
Andrea Carrasquilla	3rd/8
Emily Nolan	4th/8
Alyssa Levitt	6th/8
Emma Harnett	8th/8

### Spins

Mingda Liu	2nd/9
Elvira Junnila	3rd/9
Alexa Phillips	5th/9
Katherine Fei	7th/9
Ying Yip	8th/9
Rachel Sinclair	9th/9

### Showcase

Emily Brothman	1st/5
Dylan Oakes	4th/5
Jessica Gregory	5th/5

### Interpretive

Alyssa Levitt	1st/4
Andrea Carrasquilla	2nd/4
Elvira Junnila	4th/4

## ADULT

### Adult Bronze Free Skate

Nancy Riggs	1st/3
Kristen Rausch	3rd/3

## DANCE

### Pre-Silver Solo Dance

Maya Neel	1st/3
Helena Fisher	2nd/3
Caryn Voiles	3rd/3

## DANCE

### Bronze Solo Dance

Emily Haar	1st/2
Olga Vacariuc	2nd/2

### Preliminary Solo Dance

Casey Mallory	1st/1
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## BASIC SKILLS

### FREE SKATE 3

#### Program with Music

Emma Hardymon	1st/5
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#### Elements

Emma Hardymon	1st/4
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### FREE SKATE 2

#### Program with Music

Nicole Reed	3rd/5
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#### Elements

Nicole Reed	1st/2
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### FREE SKATE 1

#### Program with Music, Grp. A

Olivia Patrick	2nd/3
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#### Program with Music, Grp. B

Dylan Oakes	1st/5
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#### Program with Music, Grp. D

Emma Otey	4th/5
Sarah Coleman	5th/5

#### Elements, Grp. A

Olivia Patrick	5th/6
Dylan Oakes	6th/6

### BASIC 7

#### Program with Music, Grp. A

McKenna Otey	3rd/4
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### BASIC 4

#### Program with Music

Zoe Benn	1st/5
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#### Elements

Zoe Benn	1st/4
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### BASIC 3

#### Program with Music

Yu Qian Yip	1st/1
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Gold Medals  
**47**



Silver Medals  
**33**



Bronze Medals  
**23**



## 2010 Magnolia Open Sponsors

Many thanks to our sponsors for their generous donations!



### **New Exhibition Requirements**

In order to accommodate the large number of skaters who wish to perform in club exhibitions prior to key competitions, the following rules will be enforced:

- **An adult must be present with every skater under age 18 (coach or parent)**
- **Music must be turned in to the ice monitor by 5:30 pm**

Please note there will be no off-ice classes on exhibition days.

### **Additional Test Dates**

In anticipation of a large number of skaters wishing to test in advance of the implementation of the new moves in the field test requirements in September, the Atlanta FSC has added the following test dates:

<u>Test Date</u>	<u>Day</u>	<u>Application Due Date</u>
May 2	Sunday	April 11
June 6	Sunday	May 16
July 2	Friday	June 11
August 1	Sunday	July 11
August 29	Sunday	August 8

The previously announced test dates of May 23, July 11 and August 15 have been cancelled.

### **John Millier Appointed USFS Dance Chair**

Congratulations to Atlanta FSC judge and Board of Directors member **John Millier** who was appointed Dance Chair by US Figure Skating. He will assume his new responsibilities in May. He previously served as Sectional Vice Chair (Eastern) on the same committee.

As Dance Chair, John will be responsible for managing the work of the committee and will become an ex officio member of the Judges and Competitions committees.



After retiring from competitive skating in 1990 as a former National Medalist, John coached in the New England area for five years. He is now an ISU (World) judge in Ice Dance and has traveled internationally as both a judge and team leader for the past 12 years.

Most recently John was selected to serve as a judge at the Nebelhorn Trophy in Oberstdorf, Germany, the (GP) Rostelecom Cup in Moscow, and Four Continents in Jeonju City, Korea.

**CONGRATULATIONS, JOHN!**



# POTPOURRI

## Tests Passed

Jun		HAPPY BIRTHDAY		Jun	
George Emmert	1	Brittney Bottoms	17		
Haritha Pavuluri		Lynn Floyd	18		
Marcia Skinner-Williams		Rebecca Lee			
Vickie Joseph		Elvira Junnila	20		
Leigh Healey	3	Lei Bao			
Tatiana Kozmava	4	Alexa Phillips	21		
Cathy Harnett	5	Lillian Ko			
Chen Hu	8	Chris Reese	22		
Emily Moosbrugger		Chuck Miller	23		
Peggy Rydberg	9	Susan Dolensky	24		
Jerry Chepaitis	11	Kristen Lyon	25		
Keith Isom	14	Sandy Levitt			
Ilysa Shneibaum	15	Alex Aiken	26		
Anna Decusati	16	Terry Szanto	27		
Julie Lenhard		Mindy Sellers	28		
Pei Hsuan Lee					

<u>March 21</u>	
Tinsley Cohen	Juvenile Moves
Kaia Culotta	Pre-Preliminary Moves
Alexa Davila	Pre-Preliminary Moves
Helena Fisher	Fiesta Tango
Emily Haar	Hickory Hoedown Willow Waltz
Sydney Jiang	Pre-Juvenile Moves
Sydney Kosse	Intermediate Free Skate
Emily Moosbrugger	Pre-Preliminary Moves Pre-Preliminary Free Skate
Maya Neel	Junior Moves Fourteenstep Fiesta Tango
Jabe Roberts	Preliminary Free Skate
Olga Vacariuc	Willow Waltz
Shane Williams	Preliminary Free Skate
Catherine Yen	Pre-Juvenile Moves
Grace Ying	Pre-Juvenile Moves




## Awards Banquet

**Sunday, May 16**  
**2:00 - 5:00 PM**

**Brunswick Zone**  
**Roswell, GA**

**WELCOME**

### New Members

Sarah Coleman	Tracy Nolan
Jack Coleman	Chris Nolan
Michelle Coleman	Dylan Oakes
Emma Hardymon	ZhiYing Yip
Emily Nolan	Keok Yip

### REMINDER!




**MOVES IN THE FIELD SEMINAR**  
The registration form for the new Moves in the Field Seminar for judges, prospective judges, and coaches is available on the club website. **Deadline: April 8.**



### ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIP

The application for the Atlanta FSC Academic Scholarship program is available on the website. **Deadline: April 10.**



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# Upcoming Events

<u>EVENT</u>	<u>DATES</u>	<u>SPONSOR/LOCATION/WEBSITE</u>	<u>DUE DATE</u>
<b>May Test Session</b>	<b>May 2</b>	<b>Atlanta FSC</b>	<b>April 11</b>
U.S. Adult FS Championships	April 13 - 17	FSC of Bloomington, Bloomington, MN fscbloomington.org	
U.S. Intercollegiate FS Championships	April 17 - 18	University of Delaware FSC, Newark, DE	
Moves in the Field Seminar	April 18	Atlanta FSC	April 8
Skate Nashville	April 22 - 25	Nashville FSC, Franklin, TN nashvillefsc.com	March 1
2010 Governing Council	April 29 - May 2	US Figure Skating, Costa Mesa, CA	
Break The Ice Basic Skills	April 30 - May 1	Greenville FSC, Taylors, SC greenvillefsc.org	April 1
<b>BOD Election Ballots Due</b>	<b>April 30</b>	<b>Atlanta FSC</b>	
Charleston Classic	May 8	FSC of Charleston, Charleston, SC carolinaicepalace.com	April 3
<b>AWARDS BANQUET</b>	<b>May 16</b>	<b>Atlanta FSC</b>	