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## February 2010 Newsletter

**Welcome** new Traverse City Figure Skating Club members! This newsletter is e-mailed monthly as a resource of information to help keep communication alive in the club.

**Mission Statement:** The purpose of the club is: to provide instruction, practice, and advancement of the members in all types of figure skating; to encourage and cultivate a spirit of fraternal feeling among ice skaters; to sponsor, to produce or cooperate in the production of amateur exhibitions, competitions, and shows; and, generally to do and perform such other acts as may be necessary, advisable, proper, or incidental in the realization of the objectives and purposes of this organization; and to carry out the general policies of United States Figure Skating.

### Calendar of Events:

#### **February:**

13<sup>th</sup>.....Ice Show tickets on Sale to Club members  
19<sup>th</sup>.....Little Caesar's forms due  
19<sup>th</sup>.....Ice Show t-shirt orders due  
25<sup>th</sup>.....Spring high/low registration due  
26<sup>th</sup>.....Pick up Little Caesar Pizza!

#### **March:**

6<sup>th</sup>.....Ice Show Photos  
9<sup>th</sup>.....Board Meeting  
9<sup>th</sup>.....Ice Show Tech Rehearsal  
11<sup>th</sup>.....Ice Show Dress Rehearsal  
12&13<sup>th</sup>.....Ice Show  
15<sup>th</sup>.....Spring Schedule Begins

### Fundraising:

#### **Little Caesar's Pizza Kits:**

The forms for Little Caesar's Pizza Fundraiser are now available in the hall! This a great and easy way to raise money for your skaters account! The forms are due on Feb. 19<sup>th</sup> and pizza will be available for pick up on Feb 26<sup>th</sup>.

### NEW Club Name!

TBSC is now officially Traverse City Figure Skating Club!!! The name change was made to better identify the location of the club and for improved recognition of where our skaters are from at competitions. Thanks a ton to adult skater **Brandy Wheeler** for her time, expertise, and creativity in developing a new logo for the Club! Please note that our new email address is [skate@goFigureTC.org](mailto:skate@goFigureTC.org). Our website address is [www.goFigureTC.org](http://www.goFigureTC.org). A brand new website is in the works and will be unveiled in the spring – watch for announcements!

### Registration

**\*\*\*Registration** for the TCFSC **High/Low Spring session** will **NOT** require your presence at the rink on a certain day/time. Instead, registration will require that you submit your completed registration forms (signed by your coach) to the TCFSC office anytime between now and **Thursday, February 25**. **Any registration forms submitted AFTER February 25 will be assessed a late fee of \$40.**

## Ice Show 2010

The theme of the ice show this year will be **Sun and Sea on Ice**. 2010 Guest skater will be **Alyssa Czisny**, 2009 National US Champion!

Mark your calendars ahead of time Ice Show will be **March 12 and 13<sup>th</sup>**. Tickets will be \$13.00 for pre-purchased tickets and \$15.00 at the door.

Please Contact Lacey Chaput or Mary Roxbury Ice Show Chairs for more information or ideas and inspiration!

**\*Ice Show tickets go on Sale Feb 13th to all TCFSC Members!**

## Cherry Classic Competition



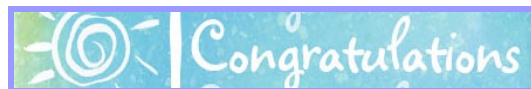
The 8<sup>th</sup> annual TC Cherry Classic Competition is on **June 4-5<sup>th</sup> 2010!!!** Watch for registration forms soon – forms will be due **April 9**. There will be some exciting **New Changes** including Test Track and other events!!! Additionally, this is a great opportunity to fulfill your yearly volunteer hours; join a committee! Please Contact Patty Davies or Mary Clifton Co-Chairs of Cherry Classic at [panndavies@aol.com](mailto:panndavies@aol.com)



**Mark your calendars for May 1.** This year's theme will transform the Centre Ice into the biggest **Kentucky Derby Party** this town has ever seen. Think big hats, mint juleps and fun at the races. With the new theme, and earlier start time due to the race, we will need lots of volunteers. If anyone is interested in earning volunteer hours by working the event, or joining the planning committee, they can contact Brandy Wheeler @ 231.313.6633 or email me at [brandywheeler@chartermi.net](mailto:brandywheeler@chartermi.net) The Committee meets every other Wed at the Bayshore at 12:00. January 20<sup>th</sup> will be the next meeting.

## Basic Skills Corner:

The deadline for Ice Show registration for basic skills skaters who wished to skate in the show was Feb. 8. If you missed that info, see Heidi ASAP. **Spring session** basic skills will begin on **March 15**. Classes will be offered on Mondays at 6:30pm or Wednesdays at 6pm. Watch for registration forms soon. Mark your calendars for the **summer basic skills clinic** to be held on June 21 & 23.



To the **Northern Lights Open Juv. Synchronized Skating team** on their **1<sup>st</sup> place** finish at the Tri-States Synchro Competition! Way to go team! The **TC Combined High School Figure Skating team** will compete in Kalamazoo on Feb. 20. The B Team is currently tied for 3<sup>rd</sup> place in the District and the A Team is in 4<sup>th</sup> place in the District – Good Luck to the High School Team!

Mark your calendars for the **TCFSC Annual Awards Banquet** to be held on Tuesday, May 4. Please note that the **Volunteer of the Year** award will be presented at the banquet instead of at the Ice Show. Nominations for that award may be made by submitting info about your nominee to the TCFSC office through mid-April.

## BOARD OF DIRECTORS

**Four seats will be open on the board this year.** Please consider running for a position or nominating someone else. Nominees must be regular TCFSC members in good standing with the Club. Board members are elected in May by the general membership for a 3-year term. If you have questions about the general requirements, please see any current board member or the nominations committee – Lacey Chaput, Heidi Masse, & Cathy Shoemaker. Nominations are **due by April 16** so that info can be included in the April newsletter. Voting takes place at the Annual Awards Banquet.



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## TCFSC BOARD

### President - Mary VanderKolk

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#### Lacey Chaput

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→If you need a form signed by a Club officer (i.e., competition forms, out of club test form, etc.), please see Mary, Holly, Colleen, Cathy, or Kim.

TBSC Office: 947-2267

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**The Next Board Meeting is Tues,  
March 9th, 5:15 pm at  
Community room in Centre Ice.**  
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To save money, the TCFSC newsletter is e-mailed only. You may also view it at [www.goFigureTC.org](http://www.goFigureTC.org). To submit information, e-mail to [Domoniquevizzini@yahoo.com](mailto:Domoniquevizzini@yahoo.com) or drop off copy in the newsletter mailbox in the TCFSC office.

Deadline is the 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday of the month. TCFSC reserves the right to alter submissions for space purposes.

## TCFSC COACHING STAFF

### **Senior/Professional Coaches**

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Ann Manning 933-5396

Heidi Masse 360-0264

Laurent Masse' 360-0264

Stephanie Miller 409-1997

Courtney Phillips 499-7118

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### **Basic Skills Coaches**

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### **Junior Coaches**

Savannah Burke 633-2002

Patty McManus 883-1550

Josie Trafelet 499-4111

### **Assistant Coaches**

Amanda Shoemaker 631-4230

Allison VanderKolk 645-1658

**Assistant Coaches** must be at least 16 yrs old & may teach private lessons only on basic skills ice time at a rate of pay not to exceed \$17.50/ hour.

**Junior Coaches** may teach private lessons on Basic Skills and low freestyle sessions at a rate of pay not to exceed \$25/hour.

**Senior Coaches** may teach any skating discipline (dependent upon their own experience) on any TCFSC session. Senior Coaches determine their own rates - please check with them individually.