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Rink Roundup

Basic Skills

Advanced Figure Skating

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Learn To Play Hockey

Speedskating

Important Dates To Remember

January 4	KOI New Parent Meeting 6 pm
January 7	KOI New Parent Meeting 9:30 am Winter Session First Day of Classes
February 25	Last Day of Winter Session Classes
March 11	Speedskating Meet
March 18	Diversity Classic Compete USA Competition

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KOI Ice Show Honors Program Anniversary

A Look Back at the Year it All Began

This year our holiday show took us back to our roots with musical selections from 1996 when Kids On Ice® was born.
Despite some wintery weather, nearly ***100 skaters*** turned out to perform before a packed house of family and friends. The one hour show included routines by the Fort Dupont Freedom synchronized skating teams, our basic skills students and Kids On Ice® Alumni. ***Special thanks to our many instructors as well as all the parent volunteers who made the show possible.*** Everything from costumes to set design to choreography came together flawlessly due to everyone's hard work and support. And thanks to our skaters for a great performance!

Online Auctions Raise Funds for Kids On Ice®

Rink Supporters Have Been Bidding For Good

Have you heard about the fun, new way to support the programs at Fort Dupont Ice Arena? **Online Auctions!** Thanks to several generous donors, FDIA has begun offering ***monthly*** online auctions featuring some very unique items. For example, one lucky highest bidder is getting an ice resurfacer driving lesson! Another won tickets to the Russian Ballet performance of the Nutcracker. Others scored tickets to Washington Capitals home games, signed sports memorabilia, exciting vacation and golf packages, gift cards, artwork, tickets to local attractions, and so much more.
We have several items to be auctioned off in ***January***. If you or your business would like to donate something for an upcoming auction please contact our Director of Fundraising, Ron Slomski at rslomski@fdia.org, or call us at 202-584-5007.
All of our auctions are hosted on the website

www.biddingforgood.com

Watch social media for announcements about when our next auction will begin.
Will you have the highest bid?

Skating For Fitness

FDIA Welcomes New and Returning Schools to Popular Ice Skating Program

Thousands of DCPS and DC Public Charter School students will learn basic ice skating skills at Fort Dupont as participants in our Schools Skate For Fitness (SSFF) Program this year. This **FREE program**, which meets DCPS physical education curriculum requirements, attracts schools from all over DC. Students learn the fundamentals of skating in just a few short weeks. On average schools schedule 4 visits per class. This year we are pleased to report several schools that plan to visit much more often. **Cornerstone Elementary** leads the way with nearly 40 visits scheduled. **Inspired Teaching Academy** plans to come 33 times, and **Ketcham Elementary** has planned 11 visits this year.

Each lesson includes on-ice instruction with a highly trained and ***certified instructor***. All lessons follow the Learn to Skate USA curriculum of competencies or "basic skills". Students develop and strengthen muscles, experience a great cardiovascular workout, AND learn a lifelong sport. In addition, skating helps kids gain self-confidence and improves self-esteem while building a healthier lifestyle. If your child's school isn't participating, contact their school administrator and/or physical education teacher today and urge them to skate for fitness at Fort Dupont Ice Arena.

Does Your School Skate For Fitness?

These schools do!

Aiton Elementary
Center City Public Charter
Cornerstone Elementary
Friendship Online
Ingenuity Prep
Inspired Teaching Academy
Ketcham Elementary
Kimball Elementary
Oyster Adams Bi-Linqual
Plummer Elementary
Ron Brown College Prep
Roots Public Charlter
Sousa Middle
Thurgood Marshall PCS
Whittier Education Campus

In the Spotlight

We were honored to have four Kids On Ice® Alumni involved in this year's holiday show. They worked on scenery, costumes, choreography and even performed for the crowd. Great job ladies!

Pictured above, from left to right: KOI Alumni skaters **Lia Cattaneo (UVA Alum)**, **Brittany Greene (UMD Alum)**, **Tenaj Gueory (UDC Student)**, and **Karen Wilson (UWisc Alum)** with **Ty Newberry** (center), FDIA's Executive Director. Thank you ladies for continuing to be involved!

A Special Group of Skaters

Olympic Athletes Return to Fort Dupont

Each year Fort Dupont Ice Arena looks forward to working with a great group of **DCPS Special Olympics** skaters who come together from ***over a dozen schools*** to learn how to fly across the ice on skates. Skating helps kids to strengthen muscles, improve coordination and, most importantly, build self esteem. The program, which runs for 12 weeks, culminates with an Olympic speedskating competition complete with a parade of athletes and Olympic flame. Did you know that gold medalist Special Olympics Team USA speedskater **O'Conner Anderson** got his start here at FDIA? Could one of this year's athletes also be headed to the world stage? We think so — these kids work hard! ***Thank you Special Olympics*** for continuing this great tradition at FDIA.

You Make A Difference

Thanks For Your Continued Support

We are ***so grateful*** to have such a ***wonderful*** network of ***people*** supporting our programs. It is because of each and every one of you that we have been successful in accomplishing our mission for the past ***20 years***. We think of you as we reflect upon our 20th Anniversary and how successful our Kids On Ice® alums have become. We also think of you every time one of our current kids achieves a milestone because without your continued support, it would not be possible. Thank you for your generous support of our annual appeal. Please know it is never too late to make a difference. ***On behalf of our board, staff and kids, we wish you a tremendous new year!***

Celebrating 20 years of Kids On Ice®

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Now on Saturdays AND Sundays!

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 and Sundays 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 2 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. Reservations now being accepted for the 2016-17 season.

Reservation dates tend to fill up fast. Call today!

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

☐ $60	Sponsors one child for an 8-week Learn to Skate session
☐ $275	Sponsors two children for a year of KOI P.L.U.S.
☐ $500	Sponsors 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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