



# The Inside Edge

Southern InterClub Skating Council

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## Georgia FSC Hosts Successful 2006 Eastern Synchronized Team Skating Sectional Championships



The Georgia Figure Skating Club hosted the 2006 Eastern Synchronized Skating Sectional Championships at The Arena at Gwinnett Center on January 27 - 28. Almost 1,600 skaters, representing 101 teams from up and down the East Coast, competed in levels based on age and ability.

"We've got just about every hotel room in Gwinnett County full," said Rob Lichtefeld, president of the Georgia Figure Skating Club.

As coach buses ferried competitors to the arena, girls popped out wearing matching warm-ups, pulling identical rolling suitcases, their names embroidered on each. Their hair was pulled up into identical buns, held in place by matching bands and lacquered with hair spray. The theatrical aura was further enhanced by the eye glitter, bronzer, lipstick, lip gloss, and blush adorning their excited

faces.

Teams, ranging in size from eight to 20 members and in ages from five to 67, performed intricate patterns in circles, in parallel and perpendicular lines, in small groups and all together.

Created in 1954 as intermission entertainment at University of Michigan hockey games, synchronized skating is now the fastest growing segment of the sport. According to one parent, many skaters prefer team to individual skating because "instead of competing against your friends, you're competing with them."

The top four teams in the Juvenile, Intermediate, Novice, Junior, Senior, Collegiate, Adult and Masters levels will progress to the February national championships in Grand Rapids, MI.

Portions excerpted from *The Atlanta Journal-Constitution*.



# 2006 U.S. Junior Figure Skating Championships

November 30 - December 2

Westminster, CO

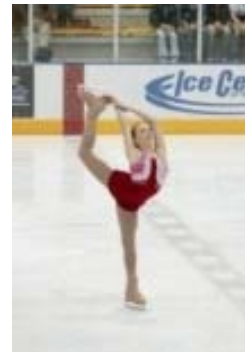


**Timothy Dolensky – Intermediate Men**  
**Atlanta FSC**

1B (Qualifying) – 6<sup>th</sup>/13  
Short Program – 15<sup>th</sup>/18  
Free Skate – 14<sup>th</sup>/18  
Overall – 15<sup>th</sup>/18

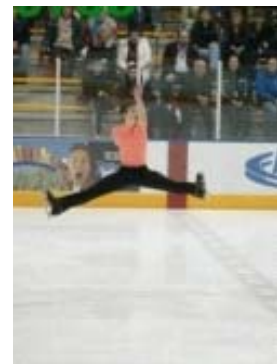
**Megan Leftwich and Christopher Nolan – Intermediate Pairs**  
**Atlanta FSC**

Free Skate – 14<sup>th</sup>/15



**Kelsey Traunero - Intermediate Ladies**  
**Greenville FSC**

1C (Qualifying) - 2nd/14  
Short Program - 5th/18  
Free Skate - 5th/18  
Overall - 5th/18



**Alexander Aiken – Intermediate Men**  
**Atlanta FSC**

1C (Qualifying) – 6<sup>th</sup>/13  
Short Program – 5<sup>th</sup>/18  
Free Skate – 1<sup>st</sup>/18  
Overall – 2<sup>nd</sup>/18



## Eastern Sectional Championships

November 16 - 19, 2006

Bethlehem, PA

**Jamie Kim – Junior Ladies**  
**Atlanta FSC**

Short Program – 8<sup>th</sup>/14  
Free Skate – 8<sup>th</sup>/14  
Overall – 9<sup>th</sup>/14



# Eastern Synchronized Team Skating Sectional Championships



## Upcoming Test Sessions

<u>Test Day</u>	<u>Day</u>	<u>Rink</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Host Club</u>	<u>Due Date</u>
March 5	Sunday	Atlanta IceForum	Duluth, GA	Georgia FSC	February 17
March 10	Friday	The Cooler	Alpharetta, GA	Atlanta FSC	February 17
April 7	Friday	The Cooler	Alpharetta, GA	Atlanta FSC	March 17
April 23	Sunday	The Pavilion	Greenville, SC	Greenville FSC	April 8

## Upcoming Events

<u>Event</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Host</u>	<u>Location</u>
2006 Eastern Adult Sectional Championships	February 17 - 19	Central Carolina SC	Chapel Hill, NC
US Adult FS Championships	February 29 - March 2	Dallas FSC	Dallas, TX
Magnolia Open	March 17 - 19	Atlanta FSC	Alpharetta, GA
21st Annual Florida Open	March 31 - April 2	Central Florida FSC	Orlando, FL



## 2005 Future Champions Series Results Announced

Congratulations to SICSC skaters who participated in U.S. Figure Skating's 2005 Future Champions Series. Special recognition goes to the following Atlanta FSC members:

**Megan Leftwich** and **Christopher Nolan**  
- 1st Place, Intermediate Pairs

**Taylor Corley** - 2nd Place, Novice Ladies

**Alexander Aiken** - 2nd Place, Intermediate Men

Also participating were:

### Novice Ladies

Mindy Shoppe Atlanta FSC

### Intermediate Ladies

Chelsea Bushue Atlanta FSC

Anna DeCusati Atlanta FSC

Molly Flynn Atlanta FSC

Kelsey Schodowski Atlanta FSC

Samantha Reese Atlanta FSC

### Juvenile Girls

Chloe Bekaert Atlanta FSC

Tatum Corley Atlanta FSC

Jessica Fuchs Georgia FSC

Felicia Gerlach Georgia FSC

Megan Leftwich Atlanta FSC

Kira Mecher Atlanta FSC

Michelle Nguyen Greenville FSC

Katherine Stamey Georgia FSC

Tina Washington Georgia FSC

## SICSC Member Clubs

We are pleased to report that all Georgia and South Carolina clubs responded positively to the proposed re-activation of the Southern InterClub Skating Council. Delegates include:

### Atlanta FSC

Sharon Hyre  
Peggy McCarthey

### Figure Skating Club of Augusta

Joyce Frankenfield

### Figure Skating Club of Charleston

Anne Mjaatvedt  
Grace Brown

### Greenville Figure Skating Club

Stanley Crowe

### Georgia FSC

Rob Lichtefeld

Some of the issues that will be discussed at the first meeting will be:

- Block voting at the May Governing Council on issues that affect our section of the country
- The new judging system (i.e., the effect on running competitions, hardware sharing)
- How to best service our members with test sessions
- Changing the by-laws to delete inclusion of clubs in Alabama and Tennessee (which are now part of the EGL Council).

## Moves in the Field Book

The Atlanta FSC has updated their *Moves in the Field* manual to include a separate section for adults with the new requirements. The manuals are available for purchase at a cost of \$20.00 through the club website at [www.afsc.us](http://www.afsc.us).



		<h1>February 2006</h1>					
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	
			1	2	3	4	
5 Test Session - Greenville FSC	6	7	8	9	10 Test Session - Atlanta FSC	11 Magnolia Open Apps. Due  <b>Pairs Short</b>	
12 Test Session - Georgia FSC	13 <b>Pairs FS</b>	14 Valentine's Day  Men Short	15	16 <b>Men FS</b>	17 US Adult Eastern Sectional Championships; Test Apps. Due (Georgia, Atlanta)	18 	
19 <b>Original Dance</b> →	20 <b>Free Dance</b>	21 <b>Ladies Short</b>	22	23 <b>Ladies FS</b>	24	25	
26	27	28					