



# HEART MOUNTAIN FIGURE SKATING CLUB

## DECEMBER NEWSLETTER



### President's Message

What an extraordinary first seven months for HMFSC! Thanks to our dedicated members, families, friends, and supporters, we've grown into a regional club spanning four states, hosted two Champions Series Clinics, expanded training opportunities from beginners to advanced skaters, partnered with local businesses, created meaningful community service experiences, and launched our Young Ambassadors Program, dedicated to welcoming new members and nurturing leadership in our young skaters. Looking ahead, we're thrilled to welcome national and Olympic-ranked coaches committed to leading clinics as we continue building a competitive, regionally connected team. Thank you from the bottom of my heart.

Wishing you a Merry Christmas, a joyful holiday season, and a Happy New Year!  
– Christine Castillo

### Champions Series Clinic Recap — October 25 & 26

Our October Champions Series Clinic with National Champion and international medalist **Michael Chack** was a standout milestone for HMFSC! We welcomed **more than double** the skaters from our last clinic, representing a wonderfully diverse range of ages and skill levels.

As an **HMFSC Affiliate Coach and Advisory Board Member**, Coach Michael designed a thoughtful two-day experience. **Day 1** focused on skating fundamentals—power, alignment, edge quality, and refined **jump and spin technique**—building strong foundations for every athlete. **Day 2** brought those skills together in a creative choreographed routine that encouraged expression, confidence, and musicality.

Thank you, Coach Michael, and thank you to all who joined us for an inspiring weekend!

## Power, Strength and Grace: Inspiration Series Clinic with Jenny Brenson!

**Jan 17<sup>th</sup> - 18<sup>th</sup> at the Riley Arena in Cody WY**

Join us for a transformative two-day clinic with Jenny Brenson, US Figure Skating double gold medalist and Los Angeles Ice Theatre co-founder. Jenny joins HMFSC for a dynamic two-day clinic designed for Aspire 1 through Senior/Gold skaters — including adults.



# November Highlights

## Read-A-Loud and Crafts at the Cody Public Library With Brooke Sieg



As an early childhood educator, Brooke is passionate about strengthening early literacy skills. By partnering with the Cody Public Library's children's department, Brooke has connected HMFSC skaters with local children to make learning engaging, hands-on, and FUN! We look forward to continuing to build this partnership into something extraordinary for both HMFSC and the youngest learners in Cody.



The Cowboy Christmas Stroll was a success! Our booth raised over \$700 of raffle tickets and donations!



## Adopt-A Highway

Our club members worked together to clean up a 2-mile stretch along the Belfry Highway. They put in 10 hours of work, gaining an appreciation for teamwork and what it takes to keep Wyoming highways beautiful!

## Upcoming Events



December 27<sup>th</sup> at the Riley Arena 5:00

**Fundraising:** Music Bingo at Brewgards Jan. 17th

**Yoga with Breathe and Balance** Mondays at 4:00. In person or virtual.

**Scrappy Pizza Christmas Party:** Dec 20<sup>th</sup> at 2:00  
Location: 20 Rolling Hills Drive. Scrapbooking and goal setting!

**Inspiration Series Clinic** with Jenny Brenson: Jan 17-18th. See our website for details.

Check our [upcoming events](#) on our webpage for updates and current details.

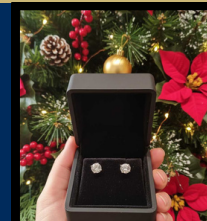
## Be a Part of the Magic This Season

As we enter the season of giving, we're celebrating the incredible momentum and generosity that has fueled our first year as the Heart Mountain Figure Skating Club. If you'd like to join us in making a difference this season, you can donate [here](#) or scan the QR code.

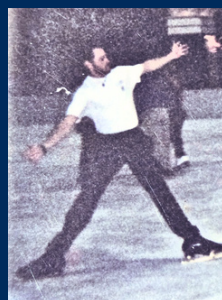
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Win these stunning 2 ct. diamond earrings!

See any club member for raffle tickets!



## Skater Spotlight: Matt Newman



I started skating after being enthralled with the 1992 Alberta Winter Games. I moved to Portland OR to train. I thought, if Tonya made it to the Olympics from Portland, that's where I needed to learn!

**Favorite move:** Butterfly. You need to go about 100 mph to get the height.

**Fun Facts:**

I train in boxing, and I showed Quarter horses growing up.



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