



# Ice Skating Club of Indianapolis Newsletter

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## What is the Club Doing? **Skating With Santa!!!!**

On December 7<sup>th</sup>, a normal Sunday club session was transformed into a family-friendly winter wonderland that was open to our community. Our skaters became "Santa's helpers" and there were plenty of cookies, candies, and cups of warm hot chocolate to go around.

Old friends and new ones came to the festivities. Santa joined us as well and took to the ice to visit both young and old. He and our skaters even linked arms and did a few laps around the rink together as he showed off his strong skating skills.

Thank you all for your work in making this a great event and fundraiser for ISCI!

## Skater Focus: Manda Wang



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### Upcoming Events

January 4, 2015 - Payment Due for Ice Show

March 15, 2015 - Ice Show



Some of Santa's Helpers having fun...

Over Thanksgiving break, we had the chance to catch up with Manda Wang, currently a freshman at IU. We were able to get know her better and obtain some insight into how skating fits into her college life.

*When did you start skating?*

I think it was around 10 years ago when I was 8 or 9.

*What is your current skating level?*

Juvenile, trying to pass my intermediate test.

*Have you picked a major and, if so, what is it?*

I'm a biology major and I'm also getting minors in chemistry and Chinese. I haven't decided if I also want to add an anthropology minor.

*Do you skate at IU?*

Yes, as part of the IU Figure Skating Club and team. Practices are Monday through Wednesday.

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Have your skating experiences helped you with your experiences in school or leaving home?

I think my skating experiences have helped me develop as a person. I've always been a super introverted person and skating had given me an environment where I learned how to let loose and be myself. I also learned to be independent and developed a drive to want to improve myself in skating, which I think has carried over to life and school as well.

What was it like coming back to skate at the club sessions after having been away for a few months?

I love coming home and skating during club again after being away because it's a lot like coming back to a family. I love seeing everyone again and seeing how much everyone has improved.

What is your favorite thing about being in college?

I really like the independence. Because you aren't living with your parents anymore, you need to learn how to manage your time and do things yourself. It's one step further in your preparation to go out into the real world. And also, as dorky as it sounds, I really like the learning. Because you take classes specific to your major, you're taking classes that interest you and not classes like math and English that you'll probably never use again.

What would you like to do when you graduate?

I've wanted to be a doctor ever since I was little and the dream still lives on now.

THANK YOU MANDA for sharing your experiences with us and for being a great role model!

## Competition Central: Packing

It can be stressful if you are missing an essential item on competition day. With a new year, it might be a good resolution to use a list. While the list below may not include everything you bring to competitions, it should hit the essentials. Feel free to cut this list out and go over it with your parents to customize it for your 2015 competition preparation! Good luck this next year!!!

- Skates
- Spare Laces
- Skate Guards and Towel to Wipe Your Blades
- Phillips Head Screwdriver for Tightening Blade Screws
- Skate Tape (Optional)
- Music (Backup and Competition CDs)
- Schedule (Note the Rink and What Side You Skate on if on Half Ice)
- Dresses/Costumes (Have a Backup Just in Case!)
- Tights/Body Suit (No Underwear Can Show)
- Club Jacket
- Gloves
- Blanket (To Keep Warm While Waiting)
- Makeup and Makeup Remover
- Hairspray, Hair Bands, and Clips (No Bobby Pins)
- Curling Iron (Optional)
- Small Sewing Kit and Safety Pins
- Small First Aid Kit
- Tissues
- Water and Healthy Snacks
- A Little Money to Buy Replacement Tights or a Souvenir
- Warm Up Clothes and Change of Clothes for After
- Anything Else that Your Coach Wants you to Have



### December Birthdays!

December 2 - Katherine Cole

December 30 - Marissa Cheslock

