



WELCOME TO THE 2016-2017 SKATING YEAR

June 1, 2016

To all Blade & Edge and United States Figure Skating members,

Welcome to the 2016-2017 skating year! What a great year we have had and another great year is on the horizon! As a member of the Blade & Edge Figure Skating Club (B&E) and United States Figure Skating (USFS) I hope that you and your skater continue to take advantage of the club's convenient ice times, skilled professionals, competitions, and other exciting performance opportunities that are fun for all who are involved!

We are entering our annual membership renewal period. For the first time in 5 years we have raised our membership fee for two reasons: USFS had a price increase and we reduced the required fundraiser per year to one (1). Enclosed you will find your membership packet. It contains everything you need to renew your membership with Blade & Edge Figure Skating Club & United States Figure Skating:

- Blade & Edge Membership Form (one form per family)
- Fundraising letter
- A list of the different areas in need to fulfill your volunteer requirements

The Blade & Edge Membership Form, fundraising letter and volunteer form needs to be filled out completely and returned to me, along with payment. It is important to include your birthday on the form. This allows me to file your membership electronically. And ensures a quick turn-around for membership cards!

Please note that all regional competitors must have a current membership on file with the United States Figure Skating (USFS) by August 1, 2016 in order to compete at the regional competition.

As a member, if you choose to complete five (5) hours of volunteer time, you will receive \$25.00 in club credit.. It is important that you report your hours to the membership chair, as soon as you complete them. Thank you in advance for volunteering your time.

Please be advised that USFS will send your membership card directly to you. As the membership chair, I will have a list of the current members USFS numbers. If you lose your card, you can contact me for the number.

We heartily thank everyone for your understanding and help in getting these renewals returned in a timely fashion. Please return all forms by June 1, 2016 to the address listed on the BEFSC Membership Form. If you have any questions, please contact me (402) 639-8740 or rifestner@gmail.com.

Sincerely,

Rhonda Festner
BEFSC Membership Chair