

A Place in History –

Tulsa Figure Skating Club Celebrates 75 Years!

1928



Skating was at the **Coliseum**, which was the largest sports arena in the Southwest.

1938



Tulsa FSC was officially established and sanctioned by the USFS.

1942

Tulsa invited to present a **Skating Carnival** in Fort Worth and later that year brought the show to Tulsa.



Hugh C. Graham, Jr.



Margaret Anne Graham

1947

Tulsa FSC hosts a three night ice show. At Nationals were **Margaret Anne Graham, Jean Coulter, Hugh C. Graham, Jr. and Sonnie Gene Murray**. 118 club skating tests were taken.

1945

Tulsa FSC skater **Barbara Jones** won the U.S. Novice Championship.

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1936

Ice Follies had their world premier at the Coliseum.



1939

Tulsa FSC had **103 members** and launched a full scale production.

1943

Ice Travaganza show was a recognized success.



1944 - Tulsa FSC Intermediate Ladies

1946

Tulsa FSC began hosting competitions which soon became the official **Southwestern Regional Competition**.

1948

Margaret Anne Graham became the first Oklahoman to pass a gold test, followed the next year by her brother, **Hugh**.

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1950

Three gold medalists were added to the Club's roster of champions – **Franklin Nelson** won Novice Men's, **Mary Hulsizer** won Novice Ladies, and **Barlow Nelson** won Juvenile Men's Championships. **Ice Travaganza** was held this year and the next with orchestra accompaniment.

1952



The **Coliseum** burned to the ground leaving skaters without a rink for the next 4 years.

1954

Hugh and Margaret Graham repeated silver medal win at Nationals and won fifth at the World Championships. **Franklin Nelson** was U.S. National Silver Dance Champion.



Franklin Nelson

1956

Tulsa **Fairgrounds** opened a new ice rink.

1959-60

J. Barlow Nelson's skating success qualified him for an alternate position on the U.S. World Team and the U.S. Olympic Team.

1950

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1951

16 girls formed a **precision team** that continued for years to come. **Hugh Graham** won the Midwestern Sr. Men's Championship and his sister, now a three-time National Junior Ladies Silver Medalist, also qualified for the world team.

1953

Despite the loss of the rink, Tulsa FSC skater **J. Barlow Nelson** won the Novice Men's Championship.



J. Barlow Nelson

1955

Hugh Graham won Bronze at Nationals and **Franklin Nelson** placed third in Gold Dance.

1958

Tulsa FSC hosted a show called the **Ice Recital**, which was held annually through 1960.

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1960s

Ice was at the **Civic Center** where the club once again hosted Ice Travaganza and the Southwestern Regional competition. The **Royal Blades** performed and by 1967 had a team of 32 girls.



1968

Will Smith and his sister **Susan Smith** place first in Junior Pairs at Nationals and Will placed fourth in Novice Men's.

1969

A private investor opened a rink called the **Four Seasons** and the club was going strong. Tulsa hosted the USFS Governing Council.



1977

Dana Graham (Hugh Grahams's daughter) skated with **Paul Wylie** and won the U.S. Junior Pairs Championships.

'60	'61	'62	'63	'64	'65	'66	'67	'68	'69	'70	'71	'72	'73	'74	'75	'76	'77	'78	'79
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1967

Will Smith earned Gold at Midwestern Sectionals Intermediate Men's.

1969

Will Smith placed first in Novice Men's at Midwestern Sectionals and he and Susan placed first in Junior Pairs.



1970

Tulsa FSC hosted USFSA National Championships at the Civic Center. **Will Smith** placed third in Junior Men's at Midwestern Sectionals.



1978

Williams Center Forum Ice opened and hosted the first **Skate Tulsa** Competition. During the 70s, ice shows were a big part of Tulsa FSC including a Broadway on Ice show and Ice Travaganza which attracted nationally acclaimed skaters.

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1986-89

Hugh Graham was President of USFSA and Tulsa FSC sent 19 skaters to regionals, some coached by **Mary Anne McGivern**. Tulsa FSC hosted many major competitions including the National Precision Team Championships and Midwestern Sectionals.



1989-1991

Franklin Nelson was President of USFSA.

1994

Tulsa Ice Arena opened.

1996

Corey Babb and his sister **Ashley** competed at the U.S. Junior Nationals.

'80	'81	'82	'83	'84	'85	'86	'87	'88	'89	'90	'91	'92	'93	'94	'95	'96	'97	'98	'99
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1988

Current Tulsa FSC Coach **Boyko Alexiev** competed at the Olympics and former Tulsa FSC Coach **Kimberly Berry** was the Pre-Juvenile Champion at Southwestern Regionals.

1995

J. Barlow Nelson placed second in Adult Nationals.

1997

Oiler's Ice Center opened.



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2003

Tulsa FSC competed at National State Games of America and three skaters brought home gold medals – **Rachel Holmes, Katherine De Angelis & Kate-Lynn Duethman.**



2006

July 15 - Coaches **Jessie Stoops & Matthew Hudson** were married **ON THE ICE** at Oiler's Ice Center.

2007

Tulsa FSC **Wildcats Team** placed first in Team at State Games of America in Colorado Springs, CO. **Angie Simants** also won Gold in Pre-Bronze Ladies FS.



2008

Alexndria Sipes & Stephen Brower won bronze in Intermediate Couples Dance at Lake Placid Ice Dance Championships. **Paige Westmoreland** was the National Champion at National Showcase.



2009

Katherine De Angelis and Garrett Jensen placed sixth in dance at Midwestern Sectionals and 12th at Junior Nationals.

2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
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2002

Andrew Cherrier placed fifth at the USFS Jr. Nationals in Juvenile Men's.



2007 Tulsa FSC

2005

Tulsa Ice Arena closed in May. **Kathy Gibson** placed second in Pre-Bronze Ladies at the Adult Midwestern Sectionals.

2006

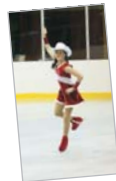
Jessie Stoops placed 11th in Gold Ladies at Adult Nationals. **Stephanie McKay** wins gold in Juvenile Light Entertainment at National Showcase.

2008

Katherine De Angelis and Garrett Jensen won gold medals at Southwestern Regionals Juvenile Couples Dance. **Angie Simants** won a Gold in Bronze Ladies FS at the State Games of America.

2009

Tulsa FSC **Team Tulsa** placed first at National State Games of America in Colorado Springs, CO. All 32 skaters brought home medals. **Katherine De Angelis** won gold in Ladies Gold Artistic.



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Paige Westmoreland and Brittany Schmucker

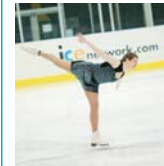


2011

Tulsa FSC skaters won at National Showcase. **Brittany Schmucker** won Senior Extemporaneous. **Garrett and Madison Jensen** won duet.

2011

Angie Simants earned a Bronze Ladies Dramatic at Adult Nationals.



2013

Tulsa FSC unveils their **new logo**

2010

2011

2012

2013

2011

Madison Jensen and **Garrett Jensen** won gold medals at Southwestern Regionals in Juvenile Couples Dance.



2011

Tulsa FSC establishes the **Stephanie McKay Award** in memory of Stephanie.



2011

Tulsa FSC sent skaters to Junior Nationals. **Madison and Garrett Jensen, Josiah Curley** and **Chandler McGooghan**. Chandler placed first in Intermediate Men's at Midwestern Sectionals.



2012

Tulsa FSC Skaters won medals at Nationals Showcase. **Tulsa Sweeps** mini-ensemble earned a fourth place medal. **Madison Jensen** placed first in Dramatic Artistic at National Showcase.



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