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2	Ishihara, Tatsuyoshi	JPN	2	Takeuchi, Hiromi	JPN
3	Kawasaki, Tsutomu	JPN	3	Yamada, Yumiko	JPN
4	Akasaka, Yuichi	JPN	4	Yamada, Nobuko	JPN
5	Sugio, Kenichi	JPN	5	Kinoshita, Mariko	JPN
6	Arseneau, Brian	USA	6	Laszlo, Tara	USA
7	Gabel, Andy	USA	7	Stennes, Tricia	USA
8	Moore, Patrick	USA	8	Sanfelippo, Becky	USA
9	Besteman, Dave	USA	9	Peterson, Amy	USA
10	Pavljacic, Dave	USA	10	D'Andrea, Moria	USA
11	Nicholson, Andrew	NZL	11	Donatelli, Eden	CAN
12	McMillien, Michael	NZL	12	Perreault, Maryse	CAN
13	Wagner, Joerg	FGR	13	Lambert, Nathalie	CAN
14	Weitzel, Robert	FGR	14	Daigle, Sylvie	CAN
15	Remi, Ingres	FRA	15	Auch, Susan	CAN
16	Daignault, Michel	CAN	16	Gardiner, Karen	AUS
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20	Lackie, Mark	CAN	20	Leyssieux, Muriel	FRA
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In addition to the thrill of competition, this event provides spectators the beauty and grace which is the achievement of years of hard work. My congratulations to the athletes for the dedication and commitment to excellence which has brought them to this competition, and my best wishes for their success.

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My best wishes to all for an exciting competition and for a pleasant stay in St. Louis.

Sincerely,

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It is a great pleasure for me to wish a hearty welcome to the participants in the 1988 World Indoor Short-Track Speed Skating Championship in St. Louis.

Since this championship is the last opportunity for skaters to participate in the exhibition at Calgary, all the athletes will do their utmost, not only to become champions, but also to win a place on the exhibition team.

In any case, we will witness exciting races between the best short-track skaters in the world, as they compete for the medals.

I thank the United States International Speed Skating Association and the Organizing Committee for hosting the 1988 World Short-Track Speed Skating Championship, which surely will help increase the interest for speed skating in St. Louis and contribute to further development of the sport in the United States.

I wish the skaters all the best of luck, the Organizing Committee successful days, and the spectators an enjoyable and exciting time at the competitions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Olaf Poulsen".

Olaf Poulsen
President of the International Skating Union

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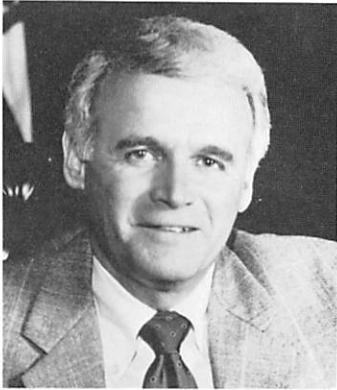
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As Chief Executive of St. Louis County, it is my privilege to welcome the 1988 World Short-Track Indoor Speed Skating Championships to St. Louis and to the Greensfelder Recreation Complex in Queeny Park.

Speaking for the entire St. Louis community, we are very proud to be hosting this world-class event as we witness the final elimination event for those skaters participating in the demonstration at the 1988 Olympics.

I welcome this opportunity to bid a very special hello to all the talented young skaters, and wish them luck in the competition.

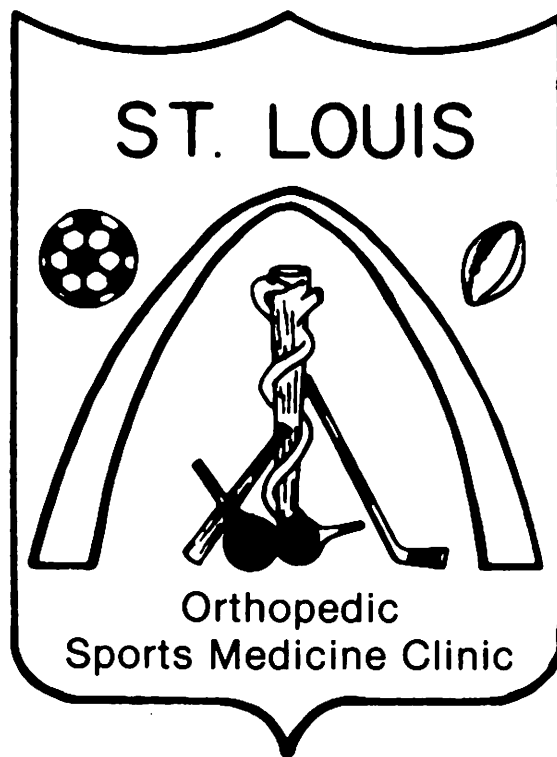
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Vincent C. Schoemehl, Jr.
Mayor



It is with honor that I welcome the athletes, their families and coaches, the officials and all the attendees of the 1988 World Indoor Short-Track Speed Skating Championships to St. Louis. We are pleased to host this event in our city, a dynamic, friendly community in the heart of America.

Today, the St. Louis metropolitan area is enjoying a vibrant rebirth, and I believe that when you tour our community, you will see the finest St. Louis ever -- an intriguing blend of historical buildings and museums with a thriving business center.

I would like to congratulate the organizers of the 1988 World Championship for their excellent work and wish the athletes well in their competitions.

I hope that you enjoy your stay with us, and that you will return to St. Louis on future occasions.

Sincerely,

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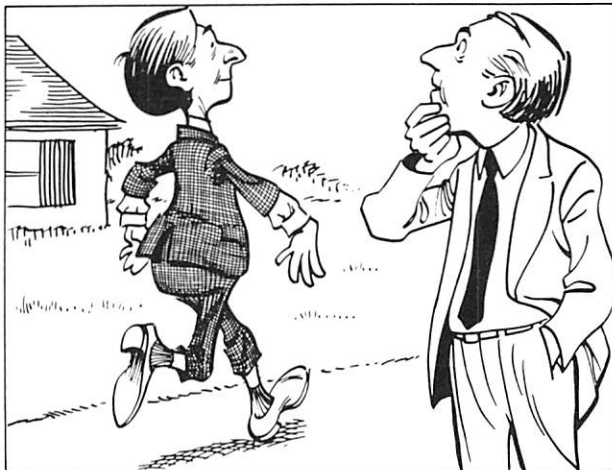
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1988 World Short-Track Indoor Speed Skating Championship



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Through our efforts, we have tried to ensure that everything flows smoothly during your stay in St. Louis, and that the competition is a success.

Many nations have sent their finest skaters for this championship. Their participation in this final event leading up to the 1988 Winter Olympics is evidence of the many years of discipline and effort they have put forth to reach this high caliber of competition.

I would like to wish the best of luck to all these athletes, and thank those directly and indirectly involved in the organization and execution of these championships.

Sincerely,

Robert E. Jones
General Chairman,
Organizing Committee for the 1988 World Championships



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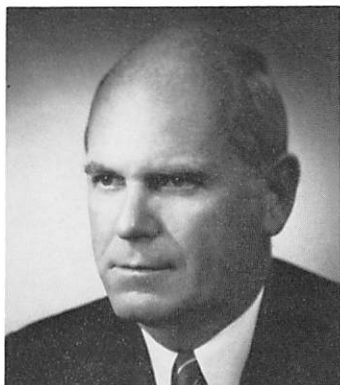


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It is with great pleasure that I offer the official welcome from the Civic Entrepreneurs Organization (CEO), co-host of this event, to the participants, their families, their coaches and all who have traveled to St. Louis for the 1988 World Short-Track Indoor Speed Skating Championships.

CEO is composed of 100 business leaders from the St. Louis metropolitan area. Our goal is to showcase the St. Louis area to the nation and the world through special events such as the 1988 World Championships. We hope that you will take time to experience all that St. Louis has to offer. I am sure that you will find St. Louis to be a friendly community to visit, and a great place to work.

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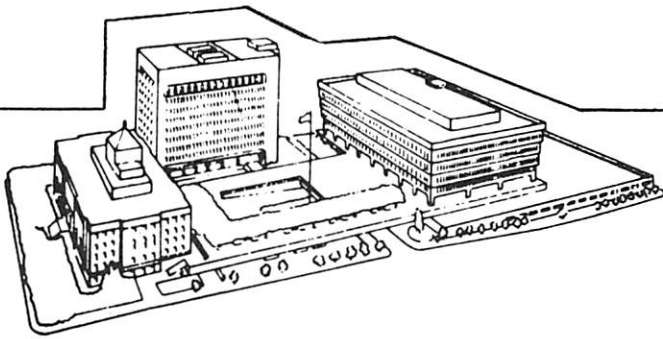
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WAYNE C. KENNEDY, DIRECTOR



On behalf of St. Louis County Department of Parks and Recreation, I am pleased to welcome the 1988 World Short-Track Indoor Speed Skating Championship to Queeny Park and the Greensfelder Recreation Complex.

In 1904, St. Louis was the site of the first Olympic Games to be held in the United States, and today it is appropriate that athletes from around the world are gathering in St. Louis for yet another prestigious world-class event.

To all participants, your coaches and proud families, our best wishes for an enjoyable and eventful experience during your stay in our community.

Sincerely,

Wayne C. Kennedy
Director of Parks and Recreation

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This year's World Short-Track Indoor Speed Skating Championship has a special meaning. The International Skating Union (ISU) will select from this meet 12 men and 12 women to be added to the 20 men and 20 women who have already qualified to skate in the short-track exhibition races at the Winter Olympics in Calgary.

On behalf of the United States International Speed Skating Association, I wish all the competitors every success, both here in St. Louis, and in your future competitive endeavors.

Sincerely,

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TUESDAY, FEB. 9

Greensfelder Recreation Complex, Queeny Park
550 Weidman Road

Noon– 1,500-meter preliminary rounds

7:30 p.m.– Opening Ceremonies

8:00 p.m.– Evening Racing Program
1,500-meter semi-finals and final
events
Award of prizes–1,500-meter
event

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 10

Greensfelder Recreation Complex, Queeny Park
550 Weidman Road

1:00 p.m.– 500-meter preliminary rounds

8:00 p.m.– Evening Racing Program
500-meter semi-finals and final
events
Award of prizes–500-meter event

THURSDAY, FEB. 11

Greensfelder Recreation Complex, Queeny Park
550 Weidman Road

Noon– 1,000-meter preliminary rounds
and quarter final events

7:00 p.m.– Evening Racing Program
1,000-meter semi-finals and final
events
Award of prizes–1,000-meter
event
3,000-meter final events and
award of prizes
Relay preliminary rounds and
final events
Award of prizes–Relay

FRIDAY, FEB. 12

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AN INTRODUCTION TO WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS



Sports promotion has taken on new dimensions in the age of television. Many events publicized as being of "world class" are actually invitational in nature — that is, athletes and nations are specially invited by the sponsor to take part. Competition is not open to all. Consequently, the quality of such events diminishes the impact of true world-class athletic activity.

Genuine World Championships are conducted by bona fide international sports governing bodies such as the International Skating Union (ISU), the International Federation of Association Football, the International Amateur Cycling Federation and about 30 other similar organizations. These events are open to athletes of all countries who are members in good standing. Often, special arrangements are made for an athlete to participate when his home country is not a member. The goal is to allow all reasonably qualified persons and teams to compete under international rules to become a "Champion of the World."

The 1988 World Indoor Short-Track Speed Skating Championship is a true world championship, organized and supervised by the ISU, Davos, Switzerland.

Determining a World Champion

In determining a short-track indoor speed skating world champion, three days of tough racing over four distances are required. Depending on the number of skaters entered, it may be necessary to skate heats, quarter-finals and semifinals in each distance to qualify for the final race.

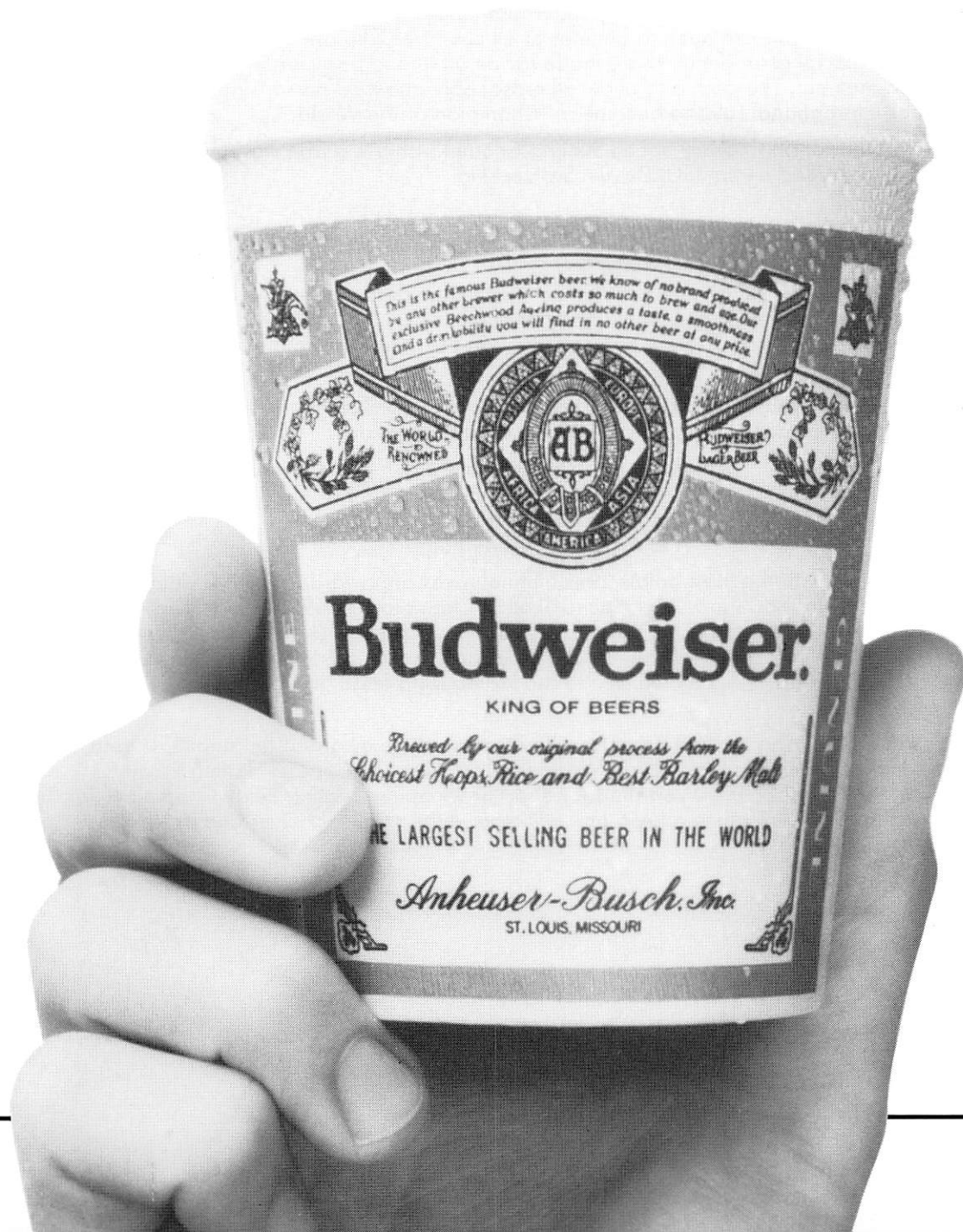
Each competitor will try to advance through preliminary races to skate in their respective four final races. Points are awarded for the first four final places as follows:

- first place — five points
- second place — three points
- third place — two points
- fourth place — one point.

The male and female with the most points after all final races are awarded the ISU gold medals and the title: "World Indoor Short-Track Speed Skating Champion for 1988" and "Lady World Indoor Short-Track Speed Skating Champion for 1988" respectively. The men and ladies finishing second and third overall will receive ISU silver and bronze medals. Small ISU medals of gold, silver and bronze also will be awarded to the skaters who finish first, second and third in each final race.

The members of the winning male and female relay teams will be awarded the small ISU gold medal. The winning teams bear the titles: "World Indoor Short-Track Speed Skating Relay Champions for 1988" and "Lady World Indoor Short-Track Speed Skating Relay Champions for 1988." The second and third place relay teams will receive the small ISU silver and bronze medals respectively.

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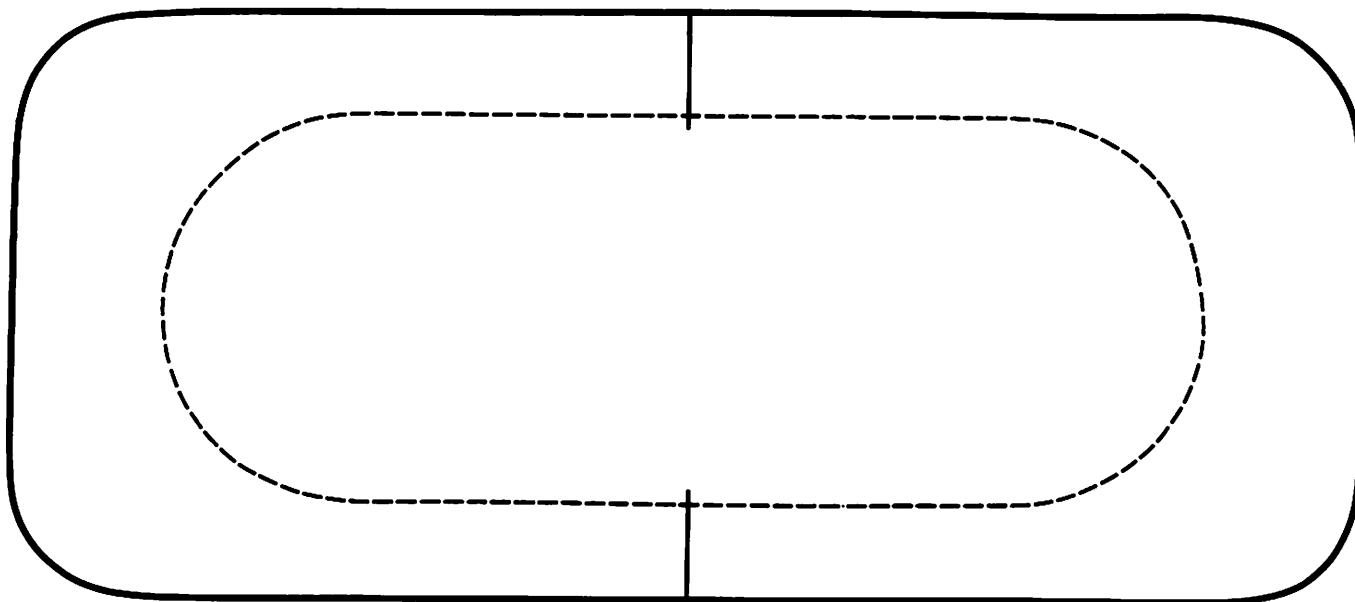


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The Track

The Greensfelder Ice Rink is 60.96 meters long by 25.90 meters wide (200'×85'). The ISU standard indoor track of 111.12 meters will be used. Five tracks will be marked into the ice, slightly separated, to help maintain good ice conditions. The final race distances and classes are as follows:

<u>Meters</u>	<u>Number of Laps</u>	<u>Finals Men</u>	<u>Finals Ladies</u>
500	4.5	X	X
1,000	9	X	X
1,500	13.5	X	X
3,000	27	X	X
<u>Relay</u>		<u>Men</u>	<u>Ladies</u>
3,000	27		X
5,000	45	X	



The eight skaters with the highest number of points after the 500-meter, 1,000-meter and 1,500-meter races are qualified for the 3,000-meter race for men and ladies respectively.

Relay teams of four men and four ladies respectively will skate a preliminary distance of 3,000 meters to qualify for the ladies 3,000-meter and men's 5,000-meter final relay events.



The Start

The skaters draw by lot for position on the starting line. Four or five skaters will start in each race, except in the 3,000-meter race, where as many as eight may start.

Skaters must obey the Starter. A skater who has two false starts is disqualified from the race. The Starter has discretion to restart the race if a skater falls before the fourth corner marker.

The Lap Scorer

A lap scorer shows and announces to the skaters the number of laps remaining in a race. A bell sounds at the start of the final lap.

On-Ice Officials

The Referee and three Assistant Referees watch the racers closely for irregularities. The penalty for a foul is disqualification from the race.

The major fouls leading to disqualification are holding, pushing, sudden change of direction, skating inside the corner markers and deliberately tripping.

Equipment

Short-track indoor speed skating requires skates with long blades (13" to 15"), a rigid crash helmet and leather gloves. Shinguards and kneepads are optional.

The long blades allow for a longer glide. Long blades spread the skater's weight over more of the ice — keeping the glide going longer without loss of speed because less weight presses down on the ice.

Skates are made from ultra-light materials including special epoxies and titanium. The blades are off-set to the left of center beneath the foot to enable the skaters to lean at extreme angles without scraping the sole of the boot on the ice.

Each skater will sharpen his skates before each important race by hand methods using a special "rack" and stones.

Surprisingly, uniforms also play an important role in speed. Uniform design can save tenths of seconds — and races are sometimes won or lost by the hundredths of a second. The modern one-piece nylon uniform, or "skins," was introduced to competition in 1976. Americans were the first to wear this light-weight, skin-tight, head-to-toe speed skating uniform. The entire outfit is designed to minimize wind resistance. Each sleeve has a loop which hooks over the thumb so the sleeve can't ride up and wrinkle.

SPEED SKATING FORM



The Start

The speed skating start appears ungainly, yet what looks like an energetic scramble is a practical method of propelling the skater from a standstill into an efficient glide. The skater, standing with knees slightly bent and body leaning in the direction of travel, is like a coiled spring. At the "go" signal, one quick step without a glide initiates the momentum. The next three or four steps are short; arms, legs and shifting weight distribution all contribute to the build-up of speed. Within six to eight meters, the skater is moving in full stride.



The Straightaway

The 500-meter race is skated with all-out effort. Both arms swing to add power to each stroke. At middle distances in indoor (1,000 and 1,500 meters) skaters may place one arm on their lower back on the straightaway. The technique in the longer distances (3,000 to 10,000 meters) is the graceful, energy-saving glide most often associated with speed skating. The skater moves from one skate to the other in a smooth, flowing movement. The hands often are carried behind the back, one wrist grabbing the other.



The Transition

One of the great skills of top speed skaters is the easy transition between the strokes of the turn and those on the straightaway. Skating must be easy and rhythmic. The body should shift in time with the strides and reflect the direction of movement. If a skater's head and back bobs up and down, it is a sign that energy is being wasted and air is being trapped under the chest. The skater should maintain an aerodynamically efficient position throughout a race, whether stroking rapidly in a sprint or cruising for thousands of meters. This is why leg strength is so important.



The Turn

More races have been won or lost in the turn than on any other part of the track. The higher the skater's speed going into the curve, the more difficult it is to overcome the centrifugal force that tries to pull him out of it. Therefore, a skater does not try to increase speed in the last few strides before the turn. Centrifugal force is a foe going into the turn, but it is a friend coming out, because it then helps propel the skater onto the straightaway. Hence, the skater exerts extra power to accelerate on the last strokes of the turn before changing to the straightaway stroke. Speed is maintained or increased in the turns.



The Stroke

Each stroke — whether it be on the straightaway or in the turn at any distance — requires the skater to power the body by pushing off with the free leg. This push, coupled with the skater's body weight driving forward in the leaning position, accelerates him to top speed. A sure sense of balance, smooth transitions between gliding and turn strokes and maximum power with each push-off are required. The skater must always push off with the entire blade, never with the tip. However, during the recovery movement of the free leg, the skate should ideally point toward the ice and then be set down close to the skate that is on the ice.



WORLD RECORDS IN INDOOR SHORT-TRACK SPEED SKATING



LADIES

500 M	48.12	Bonnie Blair, U.S.A.	04/05/86	Chamonix
1000 M	1:41.80	Maryse Perreault, Canada	04/06/86	Chamonix
1500 M	2:36.92	Eiko Shishii, Japan	03/04/87	Montreal
3000 M	5:31.65	Nathalie Lambert, Canada	04/05/87	Montreal

MEN

500 M	45.08	Louis Grenier, Canada	03/16/85	Amsterdam
1000 M	1:34.79	Guy Daigneault, Canada	04/06/86	Chamonix
1500 M	2:27.27	Tatsuyoshi Ishihara, Japan	03/28/81	The Hague
3000 M	5:04.24	Tatsuyoshi Ishihara, Japan	03/17/85	Amsterdam

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Hot dogs and space capsules. Ice cream cones and pioneers. Diversity and expansion have been St. Louis hallmarks since it was founded by Pierre Laclède in 1764 as a French fur trading center. Since then, St. Louis has grown to become a vibrant, friendly metropolis in the heartland of America.

St. Louis is well-known as the "Gateway to the West," the starting point of America's westward expansion in the 1800s. St. Louis' important role in this period of American history is marked by what may be the most dramatic national monument in the U.S. — the Gateway Arch — rising 630 feet above the banks of the Mississippi River. Beneath the Arch, the Museum of Westward Expansion offers visitors some insight into this movement and life in St. Louis during the early 1800's, as well as a dramatic film presentation on how the spectacular Arch was built.

St. Louis has been the launching point for many other endeavors as well. 1904 brought the famous World's Fair to St. Louis, and introduced such all-American favorites as iced tea, the ice cream cone, the hot dog and the hamburger. Thanks to a group of wealthy St. Louis investors, Charles Lindbergh made worldwide news in 1927 by flying his plane, the "Spirit of

St. Louis," solo across the Atlantic Ocean. In the early 1960s, McDonnell Douglas, the aerospace giant headquartered in St. Louis, built the Mercury space capsule that carried the first American astronauts into orbit, again opening new frontiers.

And now, St. Louis is leading the way again. The area is enjoying a period of intense expansion and redevelopment, unparalleled in the United States. In fact, since 1985, St. Louis has led the nation in commercial redevelopment projects.

St. Louis also is among the nation's top locations for corporate headquarters. The metropolitan area contains headquarters for ten of the Fortune 500 Companies, including Monsanto, Ralston Purina, Emerson Electric, Anheuser-Busch, McDonnell Douglas and General Dynamics.

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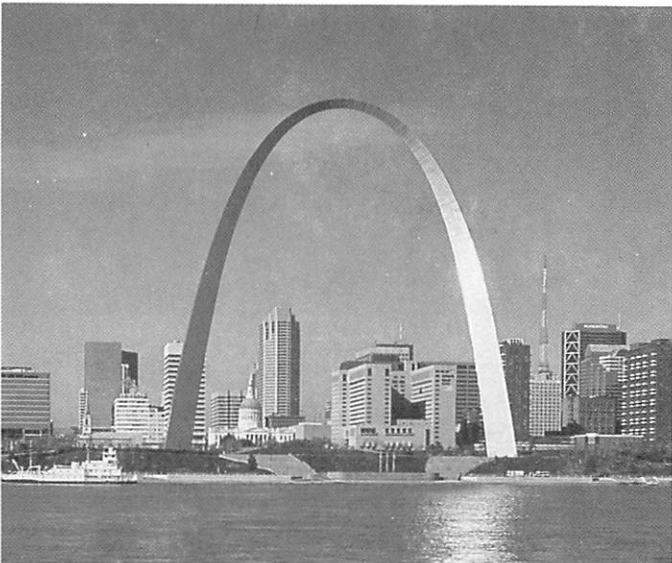


More examples of St. Louis' commitment to growth can be found on the St. Louis riverfront, an area that blends the old and the new. The riverfront is where you will find Laclede's Landing — where Pierre Laclede first stepped onto the banks of the muddy Mississippi and founded St. Louis. Ten years ago, the Landing was an area of abandoned warehouses. It has since become a collection of offices, restaurants, shops and lively lounges in a 19th-century rivertown setting, complete with cast iron street lamps and cobblestone lanes.



Laclede's Landing

The original site of the city of St. Louis has been restored into a nine-block area featuring a variety of restaurants, shops, office buildings and galleries nestled between cobblestone streets.



The Gateway Arch

Completed in 1965, the Arch is a symbol of the role St. Louis played in our nation's westward expansion and indicative of the "spirit of St. Louis." At 630 feet, the Arch is the nation's tallest man-made monument.

In addition to the Arch, visitors who need to get away for a while and see some of the many interesting things St. Louis has to offer, will find more than 60 exciting attractions to visit.

Forest Park, located in the city's west end, is a cultural community in itself. The 1,300-acre park, larger than New York's Central Park, is home to the St. Louis Zoo, the St. Louis Art Museum, the Missouri Historical Society and the St. Louis Science Center.

The Zoo has 83 acres and over 2,800 animals in fantastic settings, and it's one of the world's best. The Art Museum is one of the few existing buildings from the 1904 World's Fair and is guarded by a 47-foot statue of St. Louis the Crusader. The Missouri Historical Society has exhibits on everything from Charles Lindbergh memorabilia to antique firearms, while the Science Center features over 50 hands-on exhibits. And all are open at no charge for admission.



The St. Louis Zoo

The popular statue of "Phil the Gorilla" stands near the zoo's new "Jungle of the Apes" exhibit.

Grant's Farm, a picturesque attraction located on land once farmed by President Ulysses S. Grant, offers a game preserve, restored cabin, miniature zoo and a Clydesdale horse barn that can be enjoyed on a trackless train that takes visitors on a beautiful ride through the entire compound. Admission to this attraction is free, but advance reservations are necessary.

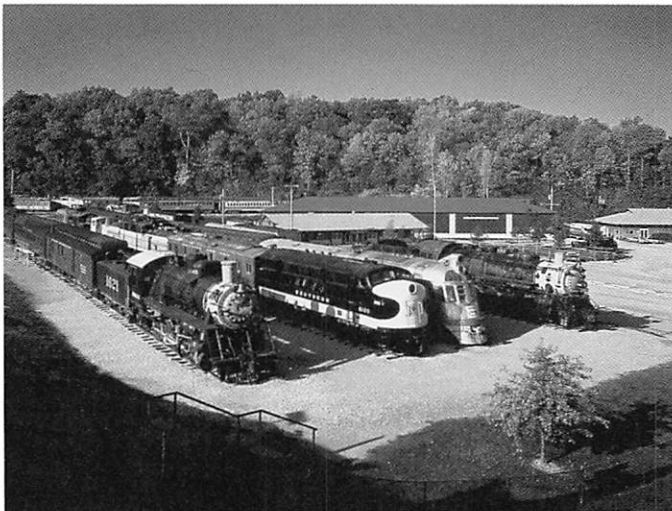


St. Louis Art Museum

Atop Art Hill in the 1,300-acre Forest Park, this world-class art museum has more than 70 galleries of art treasures.

Another popular and interesting attraction is the tour through the Anheuser-Busch Brewery — the world’s largest brewery. Visitors can learn about the brewing process, see the world-famous Clydesdales and sample some of the product.

The National Museum of Transport displays the many vehicles that Americans have relied on to get around, from horse-drawn buggies to Bobby Darin’s dream car. The museum’s train collection includes everything from the small Civil War-era locomotive to the famous “Big Boy” engine of the 1940s.



National Museum of Transport

All modes of transportation are represented in this museum that marks 150 years of railroad history and houses more than 60 vintage locomotives.

Laumeier Sculpture Park, located a short drive from downtown, is one of only two outdoor contemporary arts parks in the country. The scenic park is the setting for many large modern sculptures.



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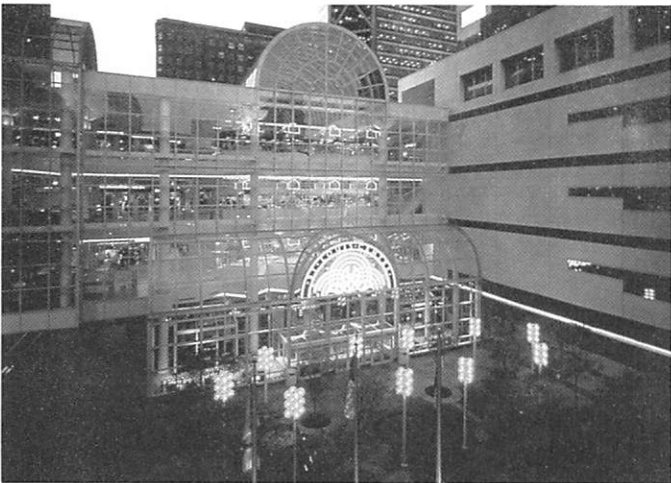
Home of the world-famous St. Louis baseball Cardinals.

Sports fans may want to visit several sites just a few blocks west of the riverfront. Busch Stadium, home of the exciting Baseball Cardinals, is one of the country’s most beautiful stadiums. The St. Louis Sports Hall of Fame, located inside the stadium, offers displays and movies on baseball, football, basketball, hockey, golf, bowling and soccer. Across the street from the stadium, the National Bowling Hall of Fame is a museum devoted to the history of bowling.



Missouri Botanical Garden

This 79-acre National Historic Landmark features the largest traditional Japanese Garden in North America, a special scented garden for the blind and the world's first geodesic domed greenhouse.



St. Louis Centre

The nation's largest enclosed downtown mall offers two major department stores, four levels of shops and many exciting eateries.

Elegant places to shop also abound in St. Louis. In 1985, the \$176.5 million St. Louis Centre opened downtown. Anchored by two major department stores, Famous-Barr and Dillards, the Centre boasts 1.5 million square feet of shopping and dining space, making it the largest enclosed downtown shopping mall in the U.S.

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At Plaza Frontenac, Saks Fifth Avenue and Neiman-Marcus head the list of upscale stores, while at the recently opened Saint Louis Galleria, shoppers will find dozens of fine shops, numerous restaurants and a multi-screen movie theater. West Port Plaza, in St. Louis county, is a collection of shops, restaurants, theatres and two hotels in a beautiful Alpine village setting.



West Port Plaza

The Alpine-like setting of West Port Plaza offers a variety of restaurants, hotels, theatres and cozy European-style boutiques.

Union Station, the renovated 19th-century train station, also provides a bountiful array of shopping and dining and entertainment opportunities. The 93-year-old station, which at one time was America's busiest rail terminal, opened in 1985 after extensive restoration and new construction.



St. Louis Union Station

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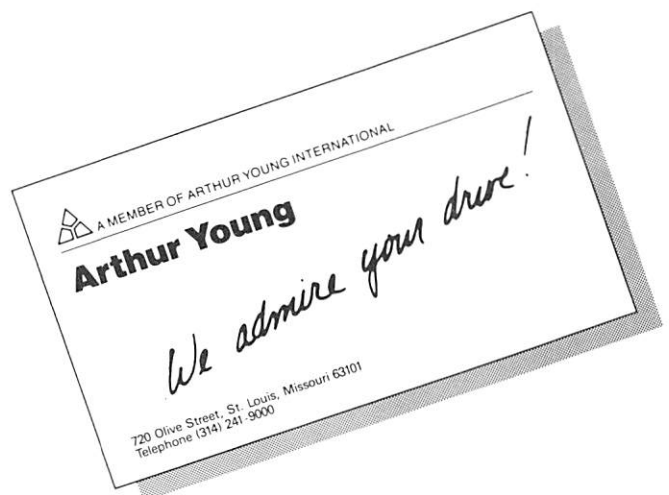
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HISTORY OF SPEED SKATING

Skating is a sport similar to running, swimming, horse racing and cycling, in which people made a game out of their tools or means of transportation. Of the three forms of skating — speed skating, ice hockey and figure skating — speed skating was the first to develop as a sport. Apart from improvements in style and equipment, speed skating does not differ much from its early days.

Early Scandinavian literature is full of references to skating on iron skates as early as A.D. 200. For many centuries before this, the people of the northern countries — Sweden, Finland, Norway, Russia, Holland and Scotland — used skates made of polished animal bones for transportation over frozen lakes, rivers and canals.

Skating probably originated and was developed through its predecessor — the ski. Vikings hunted and traveled during snowy times on fur-wrapped skis, walking much like on snowshoes. When rivers and lakes froze, they traveled by ice skates. Archaeologists have found skates of Viking origin in England, Germany, Switzerland and other countries where the Viking once roamed.

During the 14th century, people began to make skates with highly waxed wood runners instead of bone runners. As there was no sharp edge on bone or wood runners, a long pole was used to propel the skater across the ice. It was not until 1572 that a Scottish inventor made the first pair of all-iron skates, however. With these, skating as an organized sport began.

By the early part of the 18th century, speed skating was a popular sport in England and Scotland. The first ice club — the Skating Club of Edinburgh — had been organized, and the first recorded speed skating competition — a 15-mile race — was held in England on Feb. 4, 1763.

After 1850, iron skates were replaced by all-steel skates that were light, strong and kept their sharp edges for months. The new steel skates turned skating from a hardy Spartan sport to a craze. The skates were so light that Jackson Haines, an American, combined his professional talents as a ballet master and his enthusiasm as a skater to create the new sport of figure skating. About the same time, two Norwegians, Axel Paulson and Carl Warner, constructed a racing skate blade of thin metal tubes, 1/16 of an inch wide and attached to a boot, creating the forebearer of the modern hockey skate.

Aristocrats during this time were more inclined toward artistic skating, and served as judges and spectators for the speed skating competitions. Handsome cash prizes were awarded, and heavy betting and sweepstakes were common practices. In 1879, the National Skating Association of Great Britain was founded to protect speed skating from these dubious practices and to promote the sport in an orderly and uniform manner under the direction of an international council. Thirteen years later, in 1892, the International Skating Union was formed.

As speed skating spread throughout Europe, other countries began to hold competitions: Norway in 1863; Sweden in 1882; Finland in 1883; and Russia in 1884. Scottish settlers brought skating to the North American colonies, and the first championship was held on American soil in 1889.

The American Skating Congress was organized at Alleghany City, Pa. in 1868, and American skating competitions gradually developed during this time through individual clubs. Lack of uniform rules governing races eventually led to a call for a convention of all clubs in the United States and Canada. The result was the formation of the International Skating Union of America on Feb. 3, 1907. Many of the current rules and regulations contain phrases that evolved from this convention.

The International Skating Union of America functioned under that name until 1926 when the Amateur Skating Association of Canada severed its affiliations with the United States Skating Association. It was succeeded by the Amateur Skating Union of the United States. This group had an immense influence on the development of the sport and on organized competition. For many years it was the governing body of speed, figure, hockey and roller skating in the United States and Canada.

After the 1964 Olympics, it was determined that Olympic style speed skating should be given special emphasis and the United States International Speed Skating Association (USISA) was formed as a Missouri not-for-profit corporation to promote and encourage that style of speed skating. The USISA holds membership for the United States in the International Skating Union (ISU), and is a Class A member of the United States Olympic Committee. As an ISU member, USISA sanctions and approves this championship under the award authorized by the ISU.

Speed skating became an Olympic sport for men in 1924, and for women in 1960. The 1988 World Short-Track Indoor Speed Skating Championships are the final qualifying round for skaters to participate in an exhibition at the 1988 Winter Olympics in Calgary, Alberta, Canada. Indoor short-track speed skating is scheduled to become an official Olympic event in 1992.

UNITED STATES WOMEN'S TEAM

★ **Tara Laszlo**

Age: 16

Place of residence: St. Paul, MN

Occupation: Student

Achievements: 1986 World Short-Track Bronze Medalist in 1,000M and 1,500M; 1987 World Short-Track Team Member; 1986 National Outdoor and Indoor Juvenile Champion; Three silver medals at the 1986 U.S. Olympic Festival; 1987 National 400M Team Member

★ **Tricia Stennes**

Age: 15

Place of residence: Roseville, MN

Occupation: Student

Achievements: 1985 National Indoor Champion; 1986 National Short-Track Team Member; 1986 Olympic Festival Team Member; 1987 World Short-Track Team Member

★ **Becky Mane**

Age: 23

Place of residence: Milwaukee, WI

Occupation: Teacher

Achievements: 1981-1987 National Short-Track Team Member; 1981 National Junior Girls Champion; 1985 World University Games Champion; 1985 Outdoor National Team Member

★ **Amy Peterson**

Age: 16

Place of residence: St. Paul, MN

Occupation: Student

Achievements: 1985-1987 Indoor National Team Member; 1986 National Indoor 300M Record Holder; 1986 Olympic Festival Team Member; 1987 National Indoor Champion; 1987 World Short-Track Team Member

★ **Maria D'Andrea, alternate**

Age: 19

Place of residence: Saratoga Spring, NY

Occupation: Student

Achievements: 1981-1987 National Short-Track Team Member; 1982-1987 National Team Member; 1982 National and North American Outdoor Champion; 1983 World Short-Track Team Member; 1984 National Indoor Junior Champion; 1986 National Indoor Intermediate Champion — broke 5 National Records; 1986-1987 Olympic Festival Team Member and World Cup Team Member.

UNITED STATES WORLD SHORT-TRACK TEAM



UNITED STATES MEN'S TEAM

★ **Brian Arseneau**

Age: 23

Place of residence: Arlington Heights, IL

Occupation: Student

Achievements: 1985-1987 Senior National Short-Track Champion; 1985-1986 Olympic Festival Gold Medalist in 1,000M; 1986 Olympic Festival Bronze Medalist 500M and 1,500M; 1985 World University Games Team member; 1986-1987 World Short-Track Team Member; American record holder in 500, 1,000, 1,500 and 5,000M Relay

★ **Andrew A. Gabel**

Age: 23

Place of residence: Northbrook, IL

Occupation: Student

Achievements: 1979 — Present National Short-Track Team Member; 1979, 1982 National Indoor Champion; 1979, 1985 National Outdoor Champion; 1979 North American Champion; 1982-1985 Outdoor National Team Member; 1982-1983 National Sports Festival Gold Medalist in 5,000M Relay; 1982-1983, 1985 National Sports Festival Gold Medalist; 1986 Olympic Festival Gold Medalist in the 5,000M Relay and Silver Medalist in 500M and 1,500M; 1987 World Short-Track Team Member

★ **Pat Moore**

Age: 25

Place of residence: Niles, IL

Achievements: 1978-1987 Outdoor and Short-Track National Team Member; 1979 State Cycling Champion; 1979 Junior World Silver Medalist; 1980, 1982-1984, 1987 World Short-Track Team Member; 1981 World Sprint Team Member; U.S. Short-Track Record Holder in 3,000M and 500M

★ **David Besteman**

Age: 24

Place of residence: Madison, WI

Achievements: 1980 — Present Indoor National Team Member; 1981, 1984 National Indoor Champion; 1982-1984 Outdoor National Team Member; 1982, 1984, 1985, 1987 World Short-Track Team Member; 1986 Olympic Festival Gold Medalist in 500M (New Record) and Bronze Medalist in 5,000M Relay; 1987 National 400M Team Member

★ **David Pavlacic**, alternate

Age: 22

Place of residence: Florissant, MO

Occupation: Student

Achievements: 1981 — Present National Short-Track Team; 1984-1987 World Short-Track Member; 1985 National Short-Track Champion; 1981, 1983, 1985, 1987 Olympic Festival Team Member

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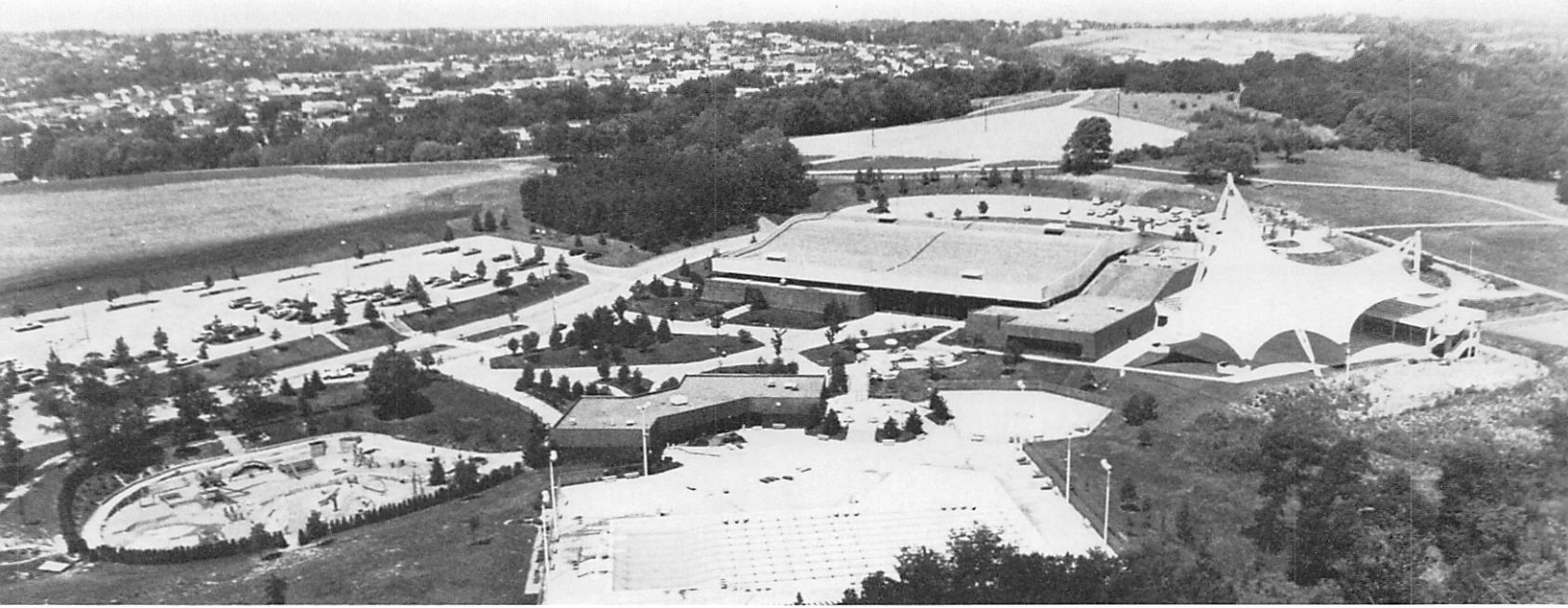
Patrick Maxwell

Age: 39

Place of residence: Ballston Spa, NY

Occupation: Caseworker for the Saratoga County Dept. of Social Services

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An aerial view of Edgar M. Queeny Park.

THE ST. LOUIS COUNTY PARKS SYSTEM

Three hundred years ago, St. Louis County was a bountiful wilderness where the great western prairie merged with the ancient Ozark mountains. Today, much of what is left of that wilderness is in our parklands.

The St. Louis County Parks system, which is less than 40 years old, contains 1,200-plus acres, and is constantly growing and developing. Nearly 60 percent of county park land, or money for its development, has been donated to the county by individuals, foundations, groups and companies interested in preserving our natural heritage for future generations.

The County Park system as we know it got its start in 1944 when the late A.P. Greensfelder and some friends persuaded the Creve Coeur Memorial Trustees to donate the old Creve Coeur Amusement Center to the County. A few years later, the same people helped acquire West Tyson, Sylvan Springs and Jefferson Barracks for County parks when these became government surplus.

The basic policy of the County system is based on the following belief — love the outdoors, respect people and nature, and tinker as little as possible with God's handiwork. This has resulted in a balance of green space and active recreation, between pleasures people can find for themselves and highly organized group activities.

None of the parks are exactly alike. Each one has a focus — topography, forests, water, historic significance — around which the design of the park was determined. The result is a multifaceted park system that accommodates the varied interests of a million St. Louis County residents.

The three regional recreation centers are for fun. Each has an outdoor, Olympic-size swimming pool, an indoor ice skating rink, tennis courts and a creative playground. During the summer months, the ice rinks are converted into large arenas for concerts, art fairs, pet shows and more.

The history of St. Louis County is interpreted in several parks. The 1812 General Daniel Bissell House has been decorated to reflect the furniture and decorative arts of its era, while Jefferson Barracks traces over 125 years of American military history in the Powder Magazine Museum and other restored buildings.

Three unique county parks are the National Museum of Transport, where you'll find an impressive array of historical trains, trolleys and touring cars; Laumeier Park, a contemporary outdoor sculpture garden and gallery; and Suson Park, where the city dweller can experience country living by visiting a farm animal display.

At Lone Elk Park, native Missouri wildlife has been encouraged to prosper in a wild animal preserve, where visitors are able to view the bison, elk, deer and waterfowl that once abounded throughout the area. Pelican Island, St. Louis County's largest park, offers the adventurous an environment teeming with vitality and life.

Creve Coeur Lake, Missouri's largest natural lake, is a major recreational resource. Many of St. Louis County's other parks also provide recreation — fishing in Suson and Spanish Lake parks; speedboat racing in Winter Park; polo in Buder Park; horseback riding and equestrian events in Greensfelder Park; and the firearms range in Antire Valley Park.

St. Louis County Parks improve the quality of life for all of us.

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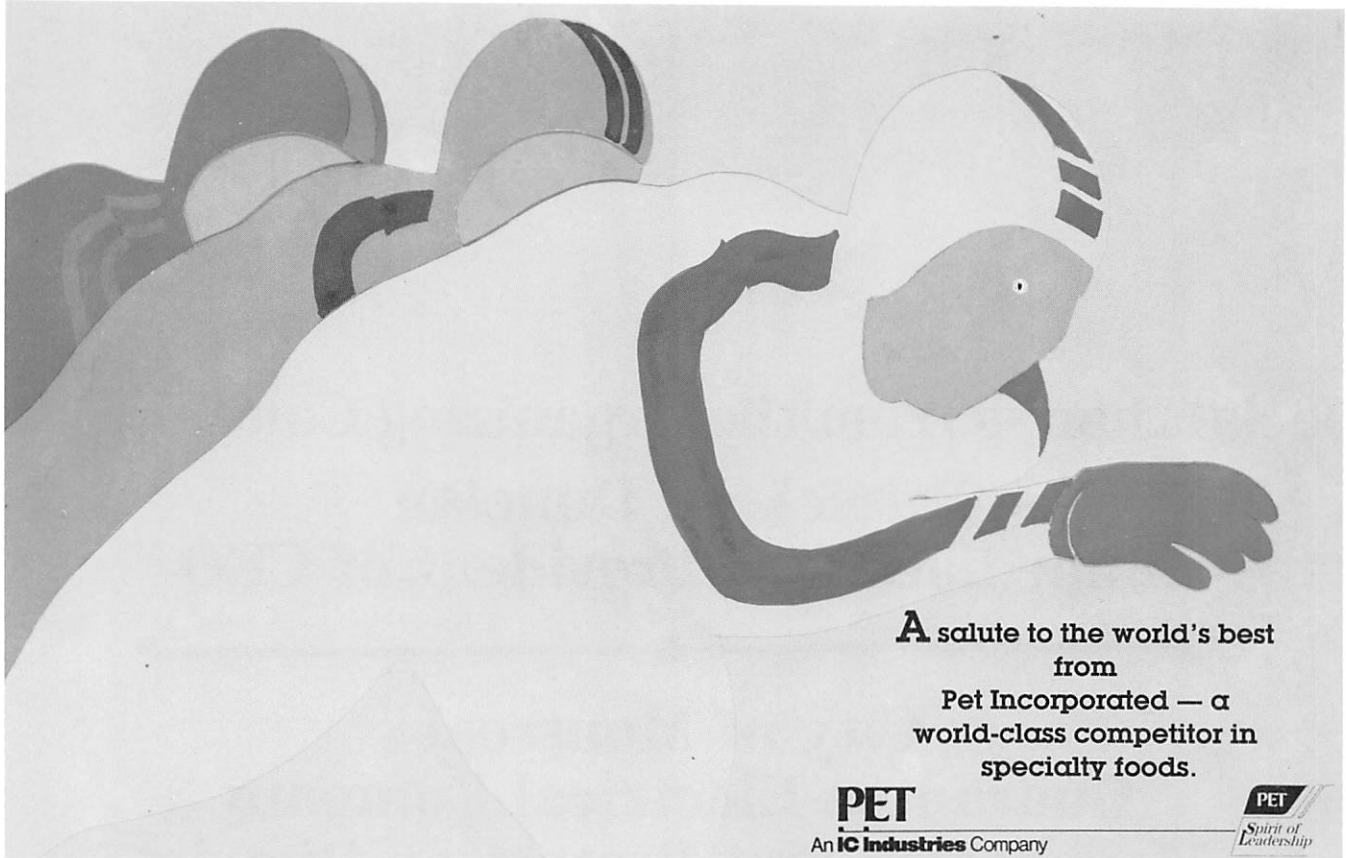
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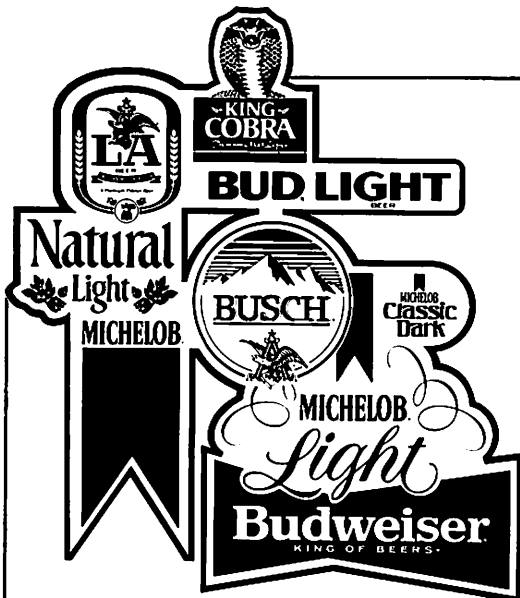
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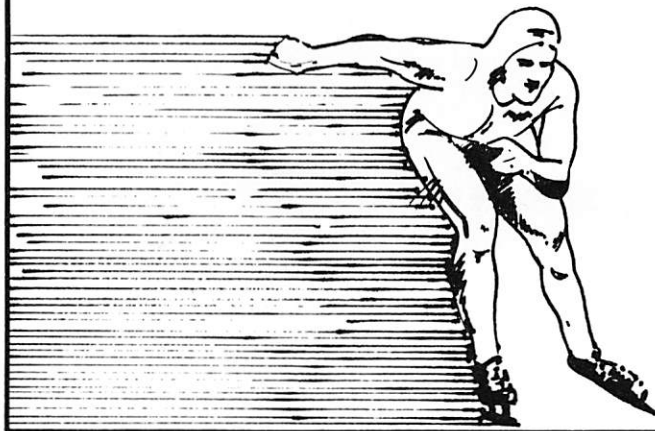
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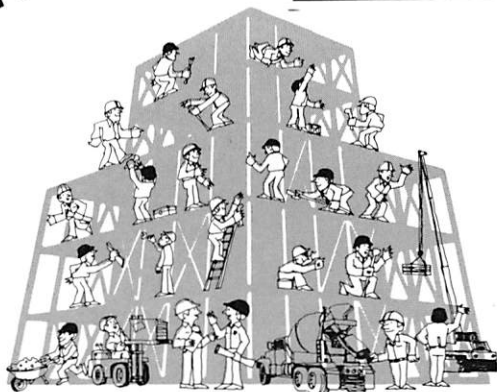
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(left to right) Don McDermott, 1952 Olympic silver medalist in speed skating, Lamar E. Ottsen, coach of the 1952 Olympic Speed Skating Team, and Ken Henry, 1952 Olympic gold medalist.

Lamar E. Ottsen **September 10, 1912-September 5, 1975**

Lamar Ottsen began ice skating as a teenager at his doctor's suggestion to speed his recovery from an illness. He became fascinated with the sport, and soon began competing in local speed skating races. Ultimately, he became the Men's National Indoor Champion and North American Indoor Champion. He competed in the United States and Canada until 1939.

After "hanging up his skates," Lamar's love for the sport continued. He became involved in the Missouri Skating Association, and with the assistance of many other dedicated people, was directly responsible for building a speed skating program in St. Louis that has produced many National Champions, as well as many World and Olympic competitors through the years.

Lamar served as chairman of the St. Louis Silver Skates competition from the mid-1940s to the end of the 1960s. During this time, the event was held at the St. Louis Arena and consistently attracted the best indoor speed skaters in the country. The 62nd Annual St. Louis Silver Skates competition will be held on March 5-6, 1988.

In 1950, Lamar was named coach of the U.S. World Speed Skating Team, which successfully participated in world-class speed skating competitions throughout Europe. He also coached the 1952 U.S. Olympic Speed Skating Team that made history when two athletes on that team finished first and second in the 500-meter event. This was the first time that Americans had won gold and silver medals in modern Olympic speed skating competition.

In the years following the 1952 Olympics, Lamar was chairman of the Olympic Speed Skating Committee and served on the Board of Directors of the U.S. Olympic Committee. Because of his love of the sport and on behalf of the U.S. Olympic Committee, he was actively involved in every Winter Olympics after 1952. He continued to serve on both committees until his death.

In 1970, Lamar was inducted into the Amateur Skating Union of the United States Hall of Fame for his contributions to speed skating.

Lamar truly served the sport of speed skating until his death. After chairing a meeting to select the 1976 Olympic Speed Skating Team, he died at Chicago's O'Hare Airport on September 5, 1975, while waiting return to St. Louis.



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