

87th Carnival of Silver Skates

January 26, 2025



87th Annual Carnival Celebration

Royalty Through the Years

1938	Lenora Luruhn Sheehan	1984	Rosalie Martin Wylie
1939	Florence Wegner Miles	1985	Jodi Anderson Weigel
1941	Gunrun Martison McCullough, Robert Pray	1986	Cassie Ackman Kuenstler
1942	Dorothy Fangen Kah, Robert Pray	1987	Charlie Garness-Klauer
1946	Virgina Pratt Ablen	1988	Niki Schaller Christoffer
1947	Donna Wehde Cassels	1989	Kris Sternhagen Barger
1948	Deseree Saltness	1990	Crystal Knoll Wheeler
1949	Shirley Thompson Suelzt	1991	Becky Sperry Diegel
1950	Dona Cooper Anderson, Bob Richards	1992	Becky McGannon
1951	Kay Stroh Fangen, Paul Roth	1993	Heather Feser
1952	Jvon Gildy, Bill Fangen	1994	Brenda Herr Goetz
1953	Donna Oliver Nastos, Aaron Bade	1995	Elizabeth Hoffman Doeden
1954	Barbara Sippel Pharis, Jerald Lakemaker	1996	Becky Hoffman Hearnen
1955	Patty Ennen Jackson, Rodney Bauer	1997	Jennifer Sundstrom Little
1956	Barbara Gildy Van Kempen, Tom Bauer	1998	Lindsey Swisher Tietz
1957	Connie Sippel Anderson, Jon Anderson	1999	Jessica Hoffman Huber
1958	Susan Clawson Grace, Wayne Knoll	2000	Tasha Sperry Dunker
1959	Karen Hubbard Berglun, Ron Mielke	2001	Erica Swisher Roberts
1960	Corinne Foss Scott, Lee Schinkel	2002	Katie Anderson
1961	Charlotte Craig Rigger, Kent Johnson	2003	Shannon Daly Lehnberg
1962	Darlyne Dunker Johnson, George Wegner	2004	Erica Stanley Garvey
1963	Jaci Jiran Bain, Bob Nielsen	2005	Brittany Ronning Mollet
1964	Judy Fliehs Feser, Tom Paepke	2006	Heather Dixon Phillips
1965	Jeanne Wegner Wanous, Jeff Kolbo	2007	Erin McNamara
1966	Joan Fliehs Johnson, Greg Saunders	2008	Marqelle Albrecht
1967	Sandy Schaller, Lynn Schinkel	2009	Morgan Schuring McCranie
1968	Diane Sundling Knutson, Gary Hoops	2010	Bailey Ronning Hoffmann
1969	Carryl Bleibaum Goens, Jeff Von Wald	2011	Jenna LaMee Pruitt
1970	Debbie Cassels Bollinger	2012	Alexa Schuring
1971	Renee Mydland Swisher	2013	Cheyenne Schaller
1972	Jill Mydland Zimmer	2014	Breanna Marzahn Milbrandt
1973	Faye Siefkes	2015	Allison Weber
1974	Frankye Gravatt	2016	Aubray Harry Miller
1975	Sherry Schaller	2017	Katie Koehler
1976	April Ackman Madden	2018	Jasmine Schinkel Groft
1977	Kim Volk Schweitzer	2019	Taylor Holm
1978	Cindy McKiver Hoops	2020	Nicole Marzahn
1979	September Ackman Kruse	2021	Alexis Hanten
1980	Stacey Larson Hines	2022	Brooklyn Imrie
1981	Brenda Sombke Waage	2023	Anna Fjeldheim, Carter Barse
1982	Vonnie Bleibaum McKinney	2024	Emma Schinkel
1983	Pam Sternhagen Hanson		

2024 Carnival of Silver Skates Queen




Emma Schinkel

Emma is the daughter of Dan and Marjae Schinkel. She has 2 older sisters, Danielle and Jasmine, and an older brother, Anthony, along with 3 nephews. Emma is attending nursing school at Lake Area Tech in Watertown. She enjoys spending quality time with family and friends, spending time at the lake during the summer, and cooking and baking.



Queen Candidates



<i>Senior</i> 	<i>Junior</i> 
<i>Emily Overacker</i>	<i>Mia Crank</i>
<i>Junior</i> 	<i>Junior</i> 
<i>Emma Davies</i>	<i>Rylee Dunker</i>



Guest Skaters



Elin Gossen

Elin (Goose) Gossen, has been skating since she was 9 years old. Her current skate levels are Silver Solo Free dance, Silver Partner Pattern Dance, Silver Skating Skill, and Pre-Bronze Freeskate. Her favorite competitions during the year are Northland Competition in Duluth, MN and Holiday Classic in Grand Forks, ND. Her goals before she graduates are to get her Gold Solo Free dance, finish her Pre-Gold Partner Pattern dances, and get her Gold Skating Skills. Elin plans to continue to skate after high school and into college.

One of her favorite memories was when she passed her Silver Skating Skills in Fargo, this past February.

Today, she will be showcasing her young adult lyrical pop qualifying showcase, *Wings*.



Savannah Sovell

Savannah Sovell is a sophomore at Watertown High School and has been a member of the Watertown Figure Skate Club for 10 years. She has tested her Bronze skating skills and Pre-Bronze free skate. Savannah enjoys attending skating competitions throughout South Dakota and Minnesota. Savannah is in her first year as a Learn to Skate coach and private coach for the Watertown Figure Skate Club. In addition to figure skating, Savannah is a varsity tennis player and runs hurdles for track.

2025 Carnival of Silver Skates

A few reminders - please:

- Have your children stay in/by your vehicle
- **NO** skating behind the scenery or in front of vehicles at any time for the safety of everyone
- 6:30 performance: make sure your headlights/automatic lights are turned off

We will be limiting people in the warming house, please note the following:

- *Have your child report to the warming house, no earlier than 2 acts before his/her group
- *Have your child's skates on prior to entering the warming house

Tune your vehicle radio to station FM 92.3

Stay warm and enjoy the show without having to roll your windows down.

Order of Program

National Anthem

Natalia Warrington

Introduction of the 2024 Carnival of Silver Skates Queen

Emma Schinkel

Introduction of 2024 Snow Queens

Gretchen Dinger (senior) and Taryn Thompson (junior)

Coronation of the 2025 Silver Skates Royalty

(afternoon performance only)

Queen Candidates:

Seniors: Emily Overacker

Junior: Mia Crank, Emma Davies, Rylee Dunker

"Icons on Ice"

1. Guest Skater

Elin Gossen

"Wings"

2. Kindergarten

Huntley Frost, Hazel Giedt, and Graham Locken

Instructors: Claire Schuelke, Tevan Hanson and Ryan Hanson

"Firework"

3. 1st grade

Maya Anderson, Kylie Borg, Ivy Cole, Layla Feist, Emme Fliehs, Emersyn Giedt, Kaylee Hofer, Kayleigh Raba, Molly Swisher, Aubrie Traphagen, Collins Traphagen, Sunny Washenberger, and Nova Washenberger

Instructors: Katie Anderson and Coralea Wolter

"Can't Stop the Feeling"

4. 5th grade

Taylor Fliehs, Shealee Gilchrist, Ryan Hanson, Avery Huber, Devan Locke, Colton Pullan, Avery Roettele, and Jack Schuelke

Instructors: Avery Crank and Sam Crank

"One Less Lonely Girl"

5. Specialty Act

Teagan Hanten

"Thriller"

6. 8th and 9th grade

Libby Cole, Tenley Frost, Tevan Hanson, Suri Jetto, and Aurora Washenberger
Instructor: Anna Fjeldheim

"Ain't No Mountain High Enough"

7. 3rd and 4th grade

Haley Erickson, Preslee Giedt, Reagen Harry, Madison Harry, Hazel Hill, Nori Hinman, Raziah Jetto, Railey Mulder, Presley Olson, and Calli Wilkinson
Instructor: Katelyn Giedt

"Shake It Off"

8. 7th grade

Rachel Dobbins, Andi Gauer, GraceLynn Hubbs-Mollner, and Chloe Witchey
Instructor: Jodi Weigel

"Bloody Mary"

9. Specialty Act

Avery Crank and Emerlee Jones

"You're the One That I Want"



10. Guest Skater

Savannah Sovell

"Toxic"

11. 2nd grade

Brielle Dunbar, Mya Flihs, Kinsey Frost, Amara Graff, Laker Hanson, Kodi Hinman, Liv Huber, Avril Jetto, Ellie Lassel, Jorie Locken, and River Wipf
Instructors: Teagan Hanten and Emerlee Jones

"Party in the USA"

12. 6th grade

Gracie Borg, Brynlee Dunker, Ambrielle Feist, Kierea Jetto, Libby Johnson, Mya Moody, Maycee Moody, Caelynn Pullan, Kinley Sandness, Tori Schuster, and Taylynn Traphagen
Instructors: Tasha Dunker and Alexa Schuring

"Up"

13. Specialty Act

Aurora, Nova, and Sunny Washenberger

"Rock with You"

14. Snowflakes

River Anderson, Elowen Cutler, Collyns Dunbar, Alandra Graff, Faith Johnson, Blake Locke, Makenna Sternhagen, and Beau Traphagen
Instructors: Katie Anderson and Coralea Wolter

"Three Little Birds"

15. 10th grade

Avery Crank, Teagan Hanten, Addison Hoffman, Emerlee Jones, Claire Schuelke, and McKenna Tietz
Instructors: Alexis Hanten and Lindsey Tietz

“9 to 5”

16. Specialty Act

Tevan and Ryan Hanson

“Set Fire to the Rain”

17. 11th and 12th grade

Emily Overacker, Mia Crank, Emma Davies, and Rylee Dunker
Instructors: Shonna Harry and Aubray Miller

“Material Girl”

18. Finale

All skaters



Acknowledgements

Thank you for attending the 87th Annual Carnival of Silver Skates performance! This wonderful Groton area program continues to grow, thanks to the great cooperation of many community members, including:

The volunteers serving on the 2024 Carnival of Silver Skates Executive Board:

Lindsey Tietz, Chairperson; Carrie Cole, Assistant Chairperson; Jaymie Overacker, City Liaison; Katie Anderson, Secretary; Elizabeth Varin, Treasurer; Shonna Harry, Aubray Miller, and Coralea Wolter, Costumes; Coralea Wolter, Skate Instruction; Sarah Hanten, Publicity and Communications; Taylor Swisher, Member at Large.

Instructors for this year's Carnival: Katie Anderson, Avery Crank, Sam Crank, Tasha Dunker, Anna Fjeldheim, Katelyn Giedt, Ryan Hanson, Tevan Hanson, Alexis Hanten, Teagan Hanten, Shonna Harry, Emerlee Jones, Aubray Miller, Claire Schuelke, Alexis Schuring, Lindsey Tietz, Jodi Weigel, and Coralea Wolter.

The countless others who have helped make "Icons on Ice" a reality.

Special Thanks to:

Emcee

Presenting of the US Flag

National Anthem performer

Sound system & radio transmission technical assistance

Admission collectors

Parking coordinator

Spotlight technicians

Queen's gift

Distributing notes to students

Use of facilities for costume hand-out

Emergency services

2025 Friend of the Carnival

Rink & facility maintenance, snow removal, etc.

2025 Photographer & Queen's photo

2025 Carnival apparel

Warming house supervisors

Publicity promoters

Tom Woods

2025 Queen Candidates

Natalia Warrington

Cody Hanten and Coralea Wolter

Craig and Tasha Dunker, Eric and Darcy Moody

Keith Wipf

Charlie Frost, Chris Frost, Jason Frost, Jesse Overacker

Lori's Pharmacy

Groton Area Schools

Emmanuel Lutheran Church

Groton Rescue Squad

Jesse Overacker

City of Groton

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BK Custom T's & More

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Telecommunications, Aberdeen Insider, Lori's Pharmacy,

City of Groton, Dacotah Bank, Reporter and Farmer





Admission Costs:

**Volunteers will be collecting admission fees during the
AFTERNOON PERFORMANCE ONLY:**

\$3.00 for those 13 and older

\$2.00 for those six to twelve

Free for children five and under

Looking ahead to future Carnivals...

Skaters, we want you!

Please watch for registration information to come out early next fall. Registration forms are due the beginning of September. If you were not involved this year, but would like to receive registration information by mail or e-mail next fall, please contact Lindsey at 605-846-7720 or lindsey.tietz@k12.sd.us You can also reach us by friending the Carnival of Silver Skates Facebook page (Silver Skates.) Skaters from four years old (must have turned four by September 1st) through high school are welcome!

Let's make next year's 88th Annual Carnival special again...

The Carnival of Silver Skates Annual Meeting will be
Sunday, March 2nd at 1:00 at the Warming House.

Parents of all skaters are encouraged to attend.

An election of officers for the 2026 Carnival will be held.

The Carnival of Silver Skates Executive Board includes:
chairperson, secretary, treasurer, costume chair, skating instruction chair,
communications chair, and city relations chair.

**Please plan to attend and help to continue this
community tradition!**

Contact Lindsey (605-846-7720) with any questions.

Don't forget costume turn-in!

TODAY following the evening performance or

Monday, Jan. 27th 4:00 – 6:00 PM at the Warming House.

Please do **NOT** wash any part of the costume. Please return your entire costume, including the hanger, in its original condition. If you absolutely cannot turn in your costume at one of these scheduled times, you **MUST** contact Shonna Harry (605-380-7439) **PRIOR** to the **costume turn-in** to make alternative arrangements. Failure to deliver the costume by the alternative date/time, will result in a forfeiture of your costume deposit.