

10/05 SATURDAY
NO SKATING
PAWS Pet Adoption

10/06 SUNDAY
DJ Shan S.

COLUMBUS DAY WEEKEND

10/12 SATURDAY
DJ Jay Stewart

10/13 SUNDAY
DJ Rob Scott

10/14 MONDAY
DJ Andre Collins &
DJ Jordan Kessler

10/19 SATURDAY
DJ Duce Martinrez

10/20 SUNDAY
NO SKATING
Avon Making
Strides Event

10/26 SATURDAY
NO SKATING
Kids Halloween event

10/27 SUNDAY
DJ Jam &
Halloween Costume Party

THE CENTRAL PARK SKATE CIRCLE

takes place every Saturday, Sunday and major holidays in 2013 from April 10th through October 27th. The music plays from 2:45 pm to 6:45 pm.

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Still Skating!

Two thirds of our season has rolled by in a flash. As we enter the last two months of skating at the Skate Circle we can look back and review what went well and what can be improved.

One thing that has gone well is the support of our organization by our membership; their financial contributions are the main thing that has kept us rolling this year. Sales of CPDSA T-shirts and memorabilia have just barely reached profitability after cost. The strength of our group is that we do not depend on any other group or person for our support; the people who skate and dance with us are the only ones we must answer to. Rob Scott came up with a slogan that says it all: the CPDSA "Caters to the Skaters."

Membership funds keep us operating, but some things

we had hoped to accomplish are still undone. The cracks in the pavement keep getting worse and our old repairs are crumbling. The guidelines on the pavement have become so faint that they can hardly be seen. New skaters have no idea where the boundaries are and for the past two seasons we have been informed that we can no longer make repairs and improvements ourselves.

Our area is the only place in Central Park where the Conservancy allows film and still productions to park their campers and trucks, so the pavement is constantly stressed by the weight of these 40 and 50 foot vehicles. It appears that we skaters are the only ones who care that the surface is slowly deteriorating. These vehicles and the tents and other equipment from large events, races, marches and expositions generate

substantial fees that go to the Conservancy and Parks Department.

Despite that money, the roadway—from the volleyball courts to the bottom of the hill where we skate—has not been repaired or repaved in 20 years. Our Skate Circle is known and celebrated around the world. News and documentary crews visit constantly, tourists spend hours watching our antics and yet no official agency is interested in doing basic maintenance for our area, they prefer to treat it as a parking lot and only let us skate when it is not being used by paying customers.

Our situation is far from perfect, but we will continue to make the best of our lot and we will bring out our skates and sound equipment every day we possibly can because we love to skate and we love this place.



Skate Group: Tony, Andre, Blade, Lynna, Joey, Pop, Jose, Duce, Janet, Suzanne and Albert clown around for the camera.



Robert, Rob, Vera, Aristides, Rafael and others enjoy a beautiful day



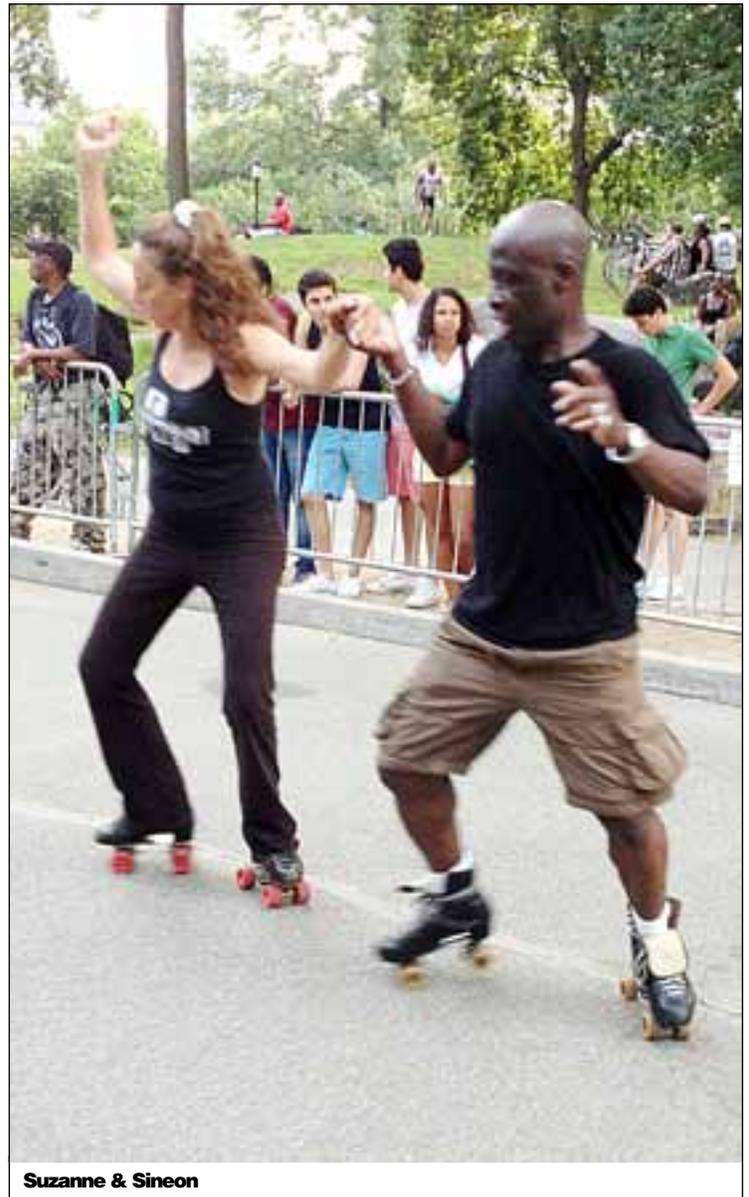
Lynna floats like a butterfly...

SKATERS, DO YOU HAVE SKILLS THAT COULD HELP THE SKATE CIRCLE?

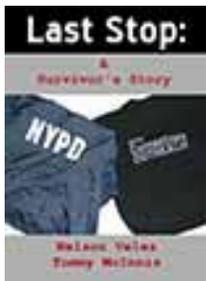
...or just someone genuinely willing to be a part of the group that keeps the skate circle rolling?

Would you like to contribute stories or photos for consideration in our next newsletter?

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Suzanne & Sineon



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The View from Skaters Road

by Bob Nichols, President, CPDSA

Labor Day Weekend — the beginning of the end of summer—a few short weeks before the Autumnal Equinox ushers in the next season. For the Skate Circle, the last two months of our year mean cooler weather and the bittersweet knowledge of another annual cycle coming to an end.

Most of the challenges we faced in April have been resolved—our new state of the art “smart charger” and heavy duty batteries have met our electrical needs well and kept the music playing for us.

The single most important ingredient of the Skate Circle is the music. The feedback you skaters have given us is that our new DJ rotation—based on last year’s DJ Survey—has been going well. We plan to do another poll this year to get your input on which DJs you like best.

Our DJs have done well, playing the music that inspires our dance skating and fuels our energy. We have redoubled our efforts to have an early crew in the park to get the system setup and the music playing at the precise moment our permit allows us to throw the switch.

We haven’t always been exactly on time but we do our best. Those who criticize us when our opening is slightly delayed could speed things along by pitching in with the work—which would actually do some good—but they rarely help. They prefer to grumble. In fact, those who complain the loudest and most often are usually those who never contribute to the Circle financially or with their labor. Funny how life works that way.

In addition to the DJ rotation, we have continued in the best CPDSA tradition of giving a few deserving new DJs a chance to play for us and those new DJs who have played for us this year have proven very popular. The DJs on our roster today are some of the best in New York and a number of them are known and respected around the world. The music played at the Skate Circle is world class.

There is still much to do to make the Skate Circle better. Some things could be improved if we had more money—like if we could raise 15 to \$20,000 dollars to hire an accredited contractor to repair and resurface our section of the Dead Road. The chance of this happening is not very probable, but it is not impossible; maybe one of us will hit a big Lottery Jackpot...it could happen! What is more likely is that we will continue to struggle along and keep the Skate Circle alive one day at a time.

Our volunteers have been loyal and hardworking this season. The guys and gals who do the heavy lifting—the ones who show up early and stay late—moving the sound equipment and barricades to set up and break down our magic little circle each day, are the unsung heroes who must be thanked: Tim Smith, Steve Cherry, John Spotsey, Jose Rivera, Marco Sepulveda, Sal Rentas, Dave, “Big” Ed Ratliff, Rob Scott, Tyrone Cloud, Gwen White, Steve Myrick, Miyuke Kogo, Kathy Cino, Sharon Clooney, “Super” Ricky Verona, Paul Daniels, Hector Alemany, our CPDSA DJs and all the others who pitch in to make our special event special—thank you!

The Skate Circle Lives.



DJ Danny Krivit



DJ Duce Martinez



DJ Shan S

Thank You 2013 CPDSA New and Renewing Members

The CPDSA thanks these current 2013 members whose generosity allows us to keep rolling.

Bernadette Babel
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Beth and Tony

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