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If you would like to contribute stories or photos for consideration in our next newsletter, please contact: CPDSA@earthlink.net



EVENTS SCHEDULE

INDEPENDENCE DAY WKND

- 7/3: SATURDAY DJ Paul Morales
- 7/4: SUNDAY DJ Rikky Rivera
- 7/5: MONDAY DJ Alchemy
- 7/10: SATURDAY DJ Bobby Morales
- 7/11: SUNDAY DJ e
- 7/17: SATURDAY NO SKATING TRIATHLON SETUP
- 7/18: SUNDAY NO SKATING TRIATHLON
- 7/24 SATURDAY DJ Lefty Hernandez
- 7/25: SUNDAY DJ Big Bob
- 7/31: SATURDAY DJ TBA
- 8/1: SUNDAY DJ Mike Dominico

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO US

by Lezly Ziering, President, CPDSA

The CPDSA was born on the 4th of July 1995, we are celebrating our 15th birthday. It has been a delightful 15 years and has meant a great deal not only to us, our skate family, but to the thousands of enthusiastic spectators and ardent devotees who have made the Skate Circle a world renowned destination for people from all walks of life, from all over the world.

Every year we have tried to make our skating experience surpass the preceding years and we have depended on your help and enthusiasm to get us

through some tough times. This year, I'm sorry to have to remind you, it has been exceedingly difficult to raise the funds needed to get us through a season that could be one of the most important in our history.

For years we have been trying to raise the funds to improve our skating surface. The tab has always been a pipe dream - nothing that was even close to what we could afford. This year the pipe has been relit and the dream could be within our grasp. We are negotiating with a private contractor who, because of

who we are and what we are about, is talking about a realistic price to restore and rejuvenate our Skate Circle. Two things are necessary to make this dream a reality - approval of the Central Park Conservancy and a big push on our part to raise the bucks to make 2010 a banner year - the year the Circle got its face lift.

The 4th of July weekend is a three day fund-raiser. Let's jump on this opportunity and make it happen - WE CAN BAKE THIS CAKE - BUT WE NEED THE DOUGH!!!

CPDSA MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

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- Contribution:
- \$25     \$50     \$100     Other \_\_\_\_\_
  - New Member     Renewal

Please cut out this membership application and mail it, along with your contribution, to the CPDSA address below.

You can get additional applications and more information from our staff members at the CPDSA Skate Circle, located mid-park at the foot of the bandshell. You can find us by entering Central Park at 72nd street and walking along Olmsted Way toward the center of the park. Just follow your ears. Listen for our dance music. You can't miss us.



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## The View from Skaters Road

by Bob Nichols

Summer has finally arrived at the Skate Circle. It's hot and humid; late afternoon thunder showers are a constant threat, but do we let that stop us? No Way! We love skating and dancing freely in the fresh air of beautiful Central Park. Though our event is free of charge, there is a price that we must pay: eternal vigilance and a spirit of cooperation.

You've probably had the experience of trying to walk down a crowded street in midtown when suddenly a clump of people forms in front of you and you can't get around them; it always seems to happen when you are in a hurry.

People, especially non-New Yorkers, are often oblivious to others around them, they stop to gawk, talk or consult maps and guidebooks in the most inconvenient places and have no idea they're blocking other people. To them the sidewalk is a place to stroll and relax—a slice of pavement that connects their car to their destination, while to New Yorkers, it's the thoroughfare we use to get from one place to another. We would no more walk four abreast or freeze in the middle of a crowded sidewalk than we would suddenly brake to an emergency stop in the middle of the George Washington Bridge.

At the Skate Circle we have a great deal of diversity, most obviously in our genetic make-up, but also in the activities that occur in our area. Not only do we have Bladers, Quad Skaters and Dancers sharing our space, we have also begun to find hoopers, hoppers and heelies vying for a place among us. The most common argument is that it's a public park and we have no right to exclude them, despite our official permits and the signs we've posted, they argue that they can do as they

please and we can't stop them from riding their bikes, scooters, skateboards and an ever-increasing variety of newly invented means of conveyance through our skating rink.

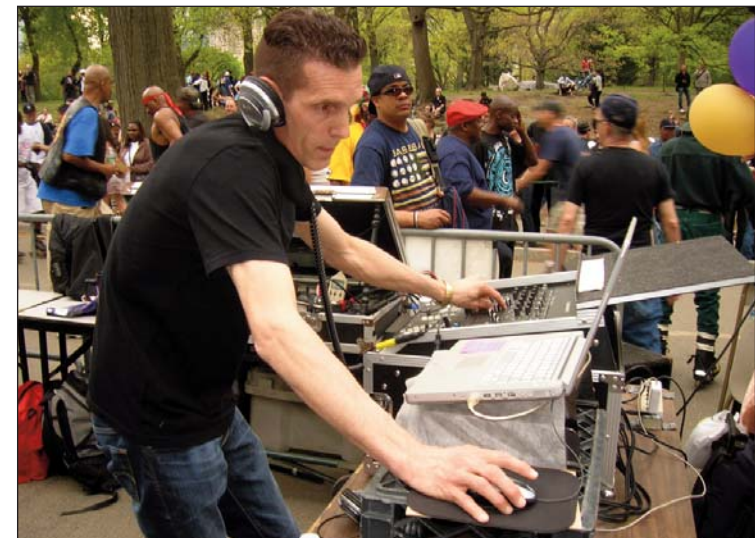
Over the years we've learned to accommodate skaters who want to simply skate around the rink along with couples dancing on wheels, acrobatic trick skaters, line dancing groups and lone dance skaters grooving to the music, by cooperating and looking out for one another. If we want to be free to do as we wish, we must learn to anticipate the actions of others and make small adjustments in our speed and direction to avoid interfering with everyone else. We have developed common sense rules about dancing close to the center of the rink in order to allow those skaters who are circling the rink to go around on the outside. We ask people not to stop in the outside lanes right in the path of other skaters. We try to give special consideration to couples dancing on skates and keep out of their way as much as we can, because what they are doing is difficult. At the same time, we ask them not to be oblivious to other skaters around them - not to abuse their special privilege.

Cooperation, a sense of humor and the ability to check your ego at the gate are both the lubricant that keeps the Skate Circle rolling and the glue that binds us together into the Skate Family we strive to be. In the sizzling 4th of July weather, when tempers may boil over and our brains often short circuit in the heat, try to remember that we are all brothers and sisters who love the Skate Circle and want to keep it rolling.

The Skate Circle Lives!



DJ Jay Stewart rocks the house



DJ e cues up the next skate jam



DJ Cuba makes it funky

### Last Stop:



### Last Stop: A Survivor's Story

by Nelson Velez and Tommy McInnis

A true story based on the lives and work of Nelson Velez, NYPD HOU police officer, and Tommy McInnis, an MTA Connections outreach worker, truly details the lives of some of New York's unsung heroes.

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Good times at the Skate Circle on Memorial Day Weekend