Dr. Sidney Soanes Skate Canada Hall of Famer Official



For over 50 years this Toronto skating enthusiast served the sport of figure skating as an author, committee member, accountant, judge and referee. Serving as an ISU judge he oversaw more than 12,000 tests and 100 competitions. One of the most highly respected authorities on dance judging, he wrote Ice Dancing – A Manual for Judges and Skaters; the ice dance judges bible. On the CFSA Board of Directors from 1955-66 he was instrumental in spearheading many changes such as judges exams, innovative techniques in testing and test reporting. For his contributions he was awarded a 1967 Centennial Medal, the 1972 Ontario Sports Achievement Award and the 1980 CFSA Award of Excellence and is a member of the Skate Canada Hall of Fame.

There is an announcement in Toronto Star informing us that Sidney Soanes died on February 21st at age 96. At his request there is to be no funeral service.

It is suggested that memorial donations be directed to Sunnybrook Hospital Family Health Team, Sunnybrook Health Sciences Centre, 2075 Bayview Avenue, Toronto, M4N 3M5