

RAINBOW GARDENS



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Rainbow Gardens in Crystal is celebrating their 60th anniversary. The original roller rink burned down in 1944 and the present Rainbow Gardens was built in 1948. During its 60 years of existence, it has been operated solely as a roller rink in Crystal on Crystal Lake. The rink has been owned by three families — the Shoens, Rogers and the Meinhardts. The Meinhardts are the present owners who have operated it for 19 years. This year, a new metal roof has replaced the old roof. The original Maple floor, with repairs, is still being skated on. Rainbow Gardens draws people of all ages from several towns around Crystal. They have regular sessions on Wednesday, Friday and Saturday nights. They are also open Sunday afternoons January through April. A Christian skate night runs the third Monday of each month, September through April. Many school and church parties take place as well as other organizations. The birthday room is used often for celebrations during regular sessions and for private parties. The rink offers a large selection of new roller skates, inlines and accessories for sale. The snack bar is open during all sessions. For more information call (989) 235-4298.