

All five made their way through the Central Vermont Skating Association before joining the U-32 varsity.

"They play hockey for all the right reasons," said Bill Driscoll, head of the North American Hockey Academy in Stowe.

"They show up. They love every minute of every game and practice. They have a super attitude."

PLAYING THEIR GAME

Sarah and Patrick are stars with the U-32 boys hockey team, while Gillian, the youngest of the triplets, is the top scorer on the newly formed U-32 girls varsity hockey team.

Patrick led U-32 in scoring last year as a freshman with 24 goals and has tallied 23 this year.

Patrick admits that he winces a little when his sister, Sarah, who plays the wing, has to take a cheap shot from one of the boys on the opposing team. Otherwise, she holds her own.

"If it's a clean check, I know she can take it," said Patrick, who hopes to play hockey in college.

Patrick and Sarah normally play on different lines, but from time to time they are on the ice together.

"We don't play together that often. We've played more together in the past," Sarah said.

Patrick looks forward to those moments when he is skating alongside Sarah.

"It's fun when you are out there and know exactly where she is going to be," he said.

When U-32 voters approved funds for a girls varsity team this winter, Sarah had the chance to switch from the boys varsity. She declined. If she does switch, she will be locked into that decision.

"I wanted to stay with the boys just because of the level of play. I thought it would be more advantageous," said Sarah, who would like to play college hockey like her older sister.

Her coach, Jim Segar, agreed.

"It would hurt Sarah to go play with the girls because of her abilities," Segar said.

Her sister, Gillian Butsch, played in the CVSA's Bantam Division through last year, but jumped at the chance to be a member of the original girls varsity team.

"All the players and all the parents were in favor of a girls team so they could be equal with the boys," Sarah said.

Sarah, who is the leading scorer on the girls team, said the varsity team has improved substantially since the start of the season.

In order to better compete with the boys, Sarah works out with weights in some of her free time.

Segar and U-32 girls coach Mike Reardon said the Butsch children have been supportive of each other.

Reardon said when no scorekeeper was available for a recent girls varsity game, Patrick jumped in to run the scoreboard.

"Not everybody would do that," said Reardon.

Hockey isn't the only passion they share. The three sophomores also like to play soccer in the fall and lacrosse in the spring. They also have been known to pick up a tennis racket.

THE BIGGEST FANS

Dick and Linda Butsch have not only supported their children in their hockey exploits, but also in their day-to-day lives.

"The parents are really great people," Reardon said. "They have instilled a lot of social values in their kids. They also have provided them with their same humility and sense of humor."

Driscoll also has followed their careers.

"With five children, you would have thought their parents would have burned out

on hockey by now. But they are at every game," he said.

Butsch's career included a stint on the junior varsity team at Princeton. "It was all downhill after that," he said with a laugh.

Others would dispute that, including Segar and Reardon.

Butsch has been active with the new hockey rink in Montpelier, the Central Vermont Civic Center, and helped raise the \$1.8 million for its construction, Segar said.

"Dick Butsch is making hockey happen in Central Vermont. Not only for U-32 and Montpelier, but the Harwood Association and others." He said even Spaulding High has used the Montpelier center when unable to use its home ice because of the farm show.

Butsch is trying to raise another \$100,000 to put the final touches on the civic center, which opened in December 1998.

Butsch, a surgeon, has been known to show up in his hospital scrubs at civic center board meetings, Segar said.

Reardon said this winter he had a severe gash to his hand and Gillian pulled out a medical supply kit to help stop the bleeding and urged him to go see her father for stitches.

Reardon said a few days later, when it can time to removing the stitches, Butsch accommodated the coach at the rink by taking them out.

Linda Butsch admitted she is a limited skater. Her husband said she had a short hockey career.

"We got her to play goalie once. She never came back," he said.

THE FIRST WAVE

The Butsch triplets aren't the only family members making a name for themselves in the world of hockey.

Jen Butsch, a freshman on the Providence College woman's hockey team, had two goals and one assist last weekend, including the game-winning score against Cornell on Saturday.

Earlier this season, she had a game-winning goal with four seconds remaining in overtime at St. Cloud. The Friars (15-5-3 overall, 9-4-3 in ECAC play) are ranked eighth in the nation. Butsch has nine goals and seven assists, putting her third in points for Providence, which is undefeated in 13 of its last 14 games.

"She is quite a role model for her sisters," U-32 boys varsity coach Jim Segar said.

Chris Butsch is a sophomore at Skidmore, where he is president of the first-year club hockey team. He was a Division III all-state center at U-32, where he was the leading scorer and two-year captain. He keeps busy trying to line up games for the team and checking the Internet to see how his sister Jen is stacking up. When he gets home he tries to suit up for an occasional game with a local team, the Bolduc Crushers. ●

RECOGNITION OF THE HARRIMAN ARTS PROGRAM OF WILLIAM JEWELL COLLEGE

● Mr. BOND. Mr. President, I rise today to recognize the achievements of Dr. Richard Harriman. Dr. Harriman has been an integral part of the Fine Arts program at William Jewell College and on February 25, 2000, the Fine Arts program will be named for him.

Among his many accomplishments, Dr. Harriman presented the world professional recital debut by the world renowned Luciano Pavarotti in 1973. Dr. Harriman has also presented other artists such as Isaac Stern, Itzhak Perlman and Yo-Yo Ma.

The Fine Arts program at William Jewell Incorporates an Education Series that offers free masters classes, workshops and discussions allowing Jewell students and community members to view artists in a less formal setting. Furthermore, the program was named in Peterson's Smart Parents Guide to College as an example of how small colleges can become centers of culture for an entire region.

Mr. President, Dr. Harriman has been a tremendous asset to William Jewell College and, indeed, the entire Kansas City area. I ask that my colleagues join me in congratulating him on this most distinguished honor. ●

TRIBUTE TO LESTER S. JAYSON

● Mr. MCCONNELL. Mr. President, I rise today to pay tribute to a dedicated public servant and friend of the Congress for many years, Lester S. Jayson, former director of the Congressional Research Service, who died on December 30, 1999, in Orlando, Florida.

Mr. Jayson joined the staff of what was then the Legislative Reference Service in October 1960 as Senior Specialist in American Public Law and Chief of the American Law Division. He was promoted to Deputy Director of the Service in May 1962, and served as Director from February 1966 through September 1975.

Mr. Jayson was influential in helping to develop the modern Congressional Research Service during his tenure as director of CRS between 1971 and 1975, the years in which the Service began implementation of the Legislative Reorganization Act of 1970. This Act changed the name of the Service and fundamentally enhanced its role by emphasizing the provision of policy analysis in all services to Members and committees of the Congress. The staff of the Service more than doubled during this time, and Mr. Jayson helped guide CRS to fulfill its congressional mandate and continue the tradition of responding to congressional requests for comprehensive and reliable information, research, and analysis to the Congress at all stages of the legislative process.

A graduate of New York City College in 1936 and Harvard Law School in 1939, Mr. Jayson was admitted to the bar of the State of New York and practiced law in New York City until 1942, when he was appointed Special Assistant to the U.S. Attorney General to handle trial and appellate proceedings in civil cases in the New York field office of the Department of Justice. In 1950, he joined the Appellate Section of the Civil Division of the Justice Department, and in 1957, he became Assistant Chief of the Torts Section, Civil Division, and then was promoted to Chief of that division. Mr. Jayson was also a member of the bar of the U.S. Supreme Court, the U.S. Court of Claims, the U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit, and various other Federal courts. He served as Chairman