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November 17th, 2008

Dear Skating Parent and Skater:

On behalf of the Professional Skating Staff at Rink Side Ice Arena, I'd like to invite each of you to participate in our **Special Tenth Anniversary** ice show, **"Let's Celebrate" – 2009**. The shows will be on Saturday March 14th. There will be a performance at 1:30 pm and a performance at 7:00 pm. This is a great opportunity for children and adults of all ages to demonstrate all of the skating skills they have learned over the past year.

There is an appropriate part in the ice show for everyone regardless of age or skating ability!

We will provide extra seating in the ice arena. Last year over 1500 people attended. Invite teachers, grandparents, friends and neighbors to this once-a-year skating event. Tickets go on sale **Monday March 2nd**.

Ticket Prices are as follows:		
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"The Parent 2-pack"	A ticket good for two shows	\$11.00 (Advanced Sales)
General Admission	A ticket good for one show	\$6.00 (Advanced Sales)
"The Parent 2-pack"	A ticket good for two shows	\$13.00 (At the door)
General Admission	A ticket good for one show	\$7.00 (At the door)

Children under three years are free. **Every single person** (except the skaters) in the building needs a ticket for each show... no exceptions will be made!

I hope each and every skater will take this opportunity to be a part of the excitement of a live skating performance. Please don't hesitate to call me if you have questions or concerns at (847) 856-1064 ext. 236.

Sincerely,
Janel Wamboldt
SKATING DIRECTOR
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Important Rules and Reminders!

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- We are having two shows again this year. The Matinee show will be at 1:30 pm. The Evening show will be at 7:00 pm.
- Special requests to skate in a specific show will be considered. Please write or call Janel to submit your requests. **Requests are not guaranteed!**
- **EVERYONE** will skate his or her group number/numbers in **BOTH** shows. You must register for a group number in order to register for a solo or duet.
- The skating director will post the list of soloists assigned to each show. This will be a *random draw* done by Rink Side Management. **Based on enrollment**, soloists who have passed USFS Juvenile Free Skate Test or higher **MAY** be asked to skate in both shows.
- All skaters are encouraged to skate in as many different numbers as they qualify for.
- We've hired professional lighting and sound technicians to aid in running the shows.
- Everyone will be allowed **one** excused, rehearsal absence. Call ext 236 to request an excused absence. Keep in mind that all rehearsals are **MANDATORY**. **You will not be allowed to miss practice #7 or Grand Finale practice.**
- There will be special practice sessions under the trick lights on Friday March 13th. The first practice will be from 3:00 – 4:00 pm and the second from 4:10 – 5:10 pm. If your skater has never performed under trick lights this will be an important practice to attend. **Register ahead of time. This practice is optional! Your music is not guaranteed to be played.**
- Tickets go on sale Monday March 2nd. Ticket prices vary. Tickets will also be on sale at the door. Children under three are free. Every single person (except skaters) in the building will need a ticket for **EACH** show.
- The rink doors will open at 12:45 pm for the matinee performance. The doors will open at 6:15 pm for the evening performance. **Skaters must report promptly to their assigned locker room when the doors open.**
- The building will be **EMPTIED** in between shows!!!