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***SKATING SHOW'S PREMIERE BENEFIT WILL
BE HOSTED BY PEGGY FLEMING ON APRIL
12 IN COLORADO SPRINGS***

**First-Ever Event "Blades for the Cure" Assists
Local Family and American Cancer Society**

Colorado Springs----Peggy Fleming, one of the most honored skaters in the world, brings her grace and talent to Sertich Ice Arena for one show only Saturday, April 12, at 7:30PM, with "Blades for the Cure." Along with three-time U.S. National Champions, World Bronze Medalists and Professional Skating Champions Jenni Meno and Todd Sand, "Blades for the Cure" features a formidable array of USA national and international medalists in singles, pairs and dance.

The benefit performance features an impressive and wide-ranging silent auction and special VIP seating with a Meet and Greet and autograph session with Ms. Fleming, Meno and Sand and the skaters following the show. Proceeds go to the Blades for the Cure Foundation and this year benefit a local skating family devastated by Multiple Myeloma, a type of cancer formed by cancerous plasma cells in the blood. A portion of the money raised also goes to the American Cancer Society Great West Division.

Tickets are available for on line purchase February 18 at www.bladesforthecure.org. A confirmation will be sent and will be available at Will-Call when doors open at 6:30PM.

Ticket prices:

VIP Tickets (limited seating) \$40
includes on-ice seating and post-show reception and autograph session

Adults(ages 13 and older)	\$20
Seniors (65+) and Active Military	\$15
Children ages 3 – 12	\$10
Ages 2 and under are free	

ABOUT BLADES FOR THE CURE:

Blades for the Cure was founded through the efforts of some very dedicated skating parents and business professionals in Colorado Springs who wanted to make a difference. Motivated by the severe impact of cancer and the financial need of one of their own families in the skating community, the group formed a board of directors, applied for non-profit status and formed a foundation with the intent of not only helping this family, but with an eye on creating an annual fund-raising event to benefit other individuals and families faced with overwhelming financial need in the face of cancer and other catastrophic diseases. A portion of the proceeds benefit American Cancer Society Great West Division, based in Colorado Springs.

ABOUT OUR GUESTS:

Peggy Fleming (Emcee and Host) -

With five U.S. Titles, three World Titles, and in 1968 to an Olympic Gold Medal, Peggy Fleming is one of the most honored, and most recognized skaters in the world. A former resident of

Colorado Springs, and member of the Broadmoor Skating Club, Peggy is a member of the World Figure Skating Hall of Fame, was honored by Sports Illustrated in 1999 at the 20th Century Awards as one of seven elite "Athletes Who Changed the Game," and was one of the first inductees into the prestigious Colorado Springs Sports Hall of Fame.

In January of 1998, on the 30th anniversary of her gold medal in Grenoble, France, Peggy was diagnosed with breast cancer. Faced with what she called "another Olympics, a life Olympics", she decided to share her experience with the public so that other women would be strengthened. Today Peggy's interests are focused on health issues as well as fitness; balance, she feels, is the key to living a vital and satisfying life. Towards that end she has served on several community project boards, such as San Jose's Sports Authority and as honorary chairman for Easter Seals and the PTA. She was also the National spokesperson for the National Osteoporosis Foundation.

Peggy and her husband, Dr Greg Jenkins, live in Los Gatos, California, where they operate the Fleming/Jenkins Vinyards and Winery (<http://www.flemingjenkins.com>). Since 1981, Peggy has also served as a skating commentator for ABC Sports.

JENNI MENO AND TODD SAND (Featured Guest Skaters) –

A couple on and off the ice, Jenni and Todd began skating together competitively in 1992. They competed in two Olympics and won three national titles and three medals at the World Figure Skating Championships.

Meno and Sand became engaged the day of their short program at the 1994 Olympics in Lillehammer, Norway. They were married July 22, 1995, and have two children. Following their amateur career, the pair skated professionally in the Stars on Ice tour for six seasons.

Meno and Sand are currently coaches of regional and national competitors.