



## New Reunion Information



Skaters, All-Performers, Production, and Administration personnel...

You may have traveled around the world, but have you been to beautiful Palm Springs?

We will be celebrating at one of the most stunning Palm Springs properties, the OMNI Rancho Palmas Resort & Spa, in Rancho Mirage. This is a spacious property, with lots of different areas for us all to gather and catch-up with friends, both in the sun and the shade, and inside the hotel. You shouldn't have any problems locating your friends here!

**WELCOME RECEPTION** Tuesday Night

- appetizers/lite fare

**DANCE PARTY** Wednesday Night

- appetizers/lite fare and desserts

**GALA BANQUET** on Thursday Night

- reception appetizers and chef's choice (you pick protein)

- or specialty meal request (Gluten Free, Vegan, Vegetarian)

PLEASE DO NOT CHANGE MEAL/PROTEIN CHOICE AT DINNER TABLE...

Please take it upon yourself to invite 'your' Ice Capades friends to the event. All 'Professional Ice Show' skaters, production, and administration staff from other shows, are also invited.

Our resort rate is \$145 a night, plus tax (with no resort fees, valet or self-parking, or internet fees), free coffee in your room, newspaper available in lobby, and free access to their gym.

THE OMNI RESORT HAS A LAZY RIVER, AND 2 POOLS – along with lots of lounge chairs! We will also have 3 Cabanas by the large pool for our groups' use.

The OMNI RESORT ALSO HAS ITS OWN GOLF COURSE

Morning golf outings planned, with a possible Golf Tournament, if enough people are interested. We are receiving Discounted Fees for Golf (\$29pp) and Equipment Rental (\$29), and Tennis time and rental, too.

We are also being given a 10% Discount on Spa Services. When we get closer, if you want to take advantage of their services, please consider making your appointment for a massage or facial, or other treatment prior to your arrival.

The Omni Resort is directly across the street from shopping, entertainment and restaurants at "The River", and it is only a 5-minute car ride to the high-end "El Paseo Shopping District" (between Highway 74/Monterey and Portola, in Palm Desert).

#### **GETTING TO RANCHO MIRAGE / PALM SPRINGS**

This beautiful Palm Springs Airport (PSP) has direct flights – every day. Plenty of flight options. PSP now offers 11 airlines flying non-stop from PSP to 21 destinations, and connecting to more than 500 destinations worldwide.

<http://www.palmspringsca.gov/government/departments/aviation-palm-springs-international-airport-bsp>

**[Click here to be taken to the registration link:](#)**

## **Our Alumni in the News**

### **LaBrake stays connected to Lake Placid**

July 26, 2019 By CHRISTIE SAUSA - Correspondent , Lake Placid News



Jeff and Leanne LaBrake compete in a Lake Placid summer event.

LAKE PLACID - Native Lake Placidian Jeff LaBrake, an elite competitive figure skater, ice show performer and coach who has traveled the world, returns to his hometown every summer to

share his love and knowledge of skating with a new generation of skaters at the Olympic Center.

"I have so many wonderful memories of skating in Lake Placid," LaBrake said. "I don't think I can narrow it down to just a few."

An elite figure skater, ice show performer and coach, LaBrake is a Lake Placid skating celebrity. Those walking through the Olympic Center's 1932 Jack Shea arena hallway can even see him and his partner, sister Leanne LaBrake Matos, in the Skating Club of Lake Placid's Hall of Fame, where local skaters who have achieved a US Figure Skating gold medal test and have met other stewardship criteria earn a spot of distinction on the board.

But before becoming enamored by figure skating, LaBrake was just another local kid trying different sports.

"I was a kid who switched from sport to sport when I was little," LaBrake said. "I tried downhill skiing and ski jumping because my older brother Mike did both. I played little league baseball too, but never finished any of the sports because I got bored. Until I saw my sister Leanne in a local ice show and I told my Mom, 'I want to do that!'"

Jeff's mother Aline was reluctant due to Jeff's tendency to lose interest in the other sports, but Jeff, the middle child in a family of five kids, was insistent.

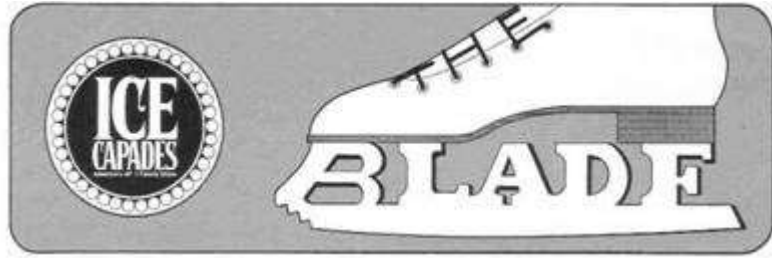
[Click here to read the complete article](#)

## Video of the Month



Opening - Don Watson, "Hello, London", Sonja Henie's last movie in 1957. Trimmed out by Carl Moseley ... WATCH Don, & All, in FULL-SCREEN.

[Click here to view the video](#)



## The Original Blade – ‘Years of Memories 66-82’

I have the following editions of The Blade and would be happy to share them with everyone. Let me know what years you would like and I can email them to you as an attachment. Email me your request to [gspoden@rogers.com](mailto:gspoden@rogers.com)

Fall 66	Summer-Fall 70
Fall 67	Winter 67
Fall 68	Winter 68
Fall 69 - Winter 70	Winter72
Fall 73 – Winter 74	Winter 74-75
Fall-Winter 72	Winter 75-76
News of Metromedia	Winter 77-78
Spring 66	Winter 78-79
Spring 67	Winter 79-80
Spring 68	Winter 81-82
Spring 69	Winter 76-77
Spring 71	

## Getting where we needed to go



Thanks Dody Baker DeMarchi for the memory



Thanks Bob Recker



## Remembering the 2015 Ice Capades Reunion



[Click here to relive some memories & pictures](#)

## Upcoming Events



### **2019 Skate America**

October 18 – 20, 2019 - Las Vegas, NV

Ticket & hotel information, [click here](#)

### Mini Reunion Perhaps

**Grab your skates, Hershey FSC**

**is looking for alumni to skate in their show.**

Hershey FSC Alumni--Sharpen Those Skates! (And also help us hunt down some people).

WE WANT YOU to be part of our 85th Anniversary Show--Riding the Silver Blades – A Carnival on Ice Celebrating 85 Years of the Hershey Figure Skating Club.

To participate or for more info, see our survey link below. You can also contact [Doris Papenfuss](#) or [Melissa Bellon Spittler](#) for more info!

<https://hersheyfigureskating.sportngin.com/register/form/055166333>

It will be held at the Giant Center on the evening of Friday, November 1, 2019. Our club is being honored by the Hershey Derry Township Historical Society as part of their Annual Preservation Dinner. The ice show will be part of the dinner, but ticket sales to just our ice show will be sold to the public.

What can alumni do?

**--Skate in an Alumni-only program number in the show. There will be one practice, on October 31, the night before the show. Choreography will accommodate all skating levels.**

--Attend a casual alumni dinner/get-together on Thursday night prior to the show.

--Potentially stay in a block of rooms, made available Thursday and/or Friday night (if alumni are interested in staying the weekend in Hershey, HFSC will secure the rooms at a discount rate).

Are you excited? We are! Please share this post with alumni you know!

## **Royal Ballroom Cruise January 20, 2020**



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