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## **MUSIC STARS DEBORAH GIBSON, JORDAN KNIGHT, KEVIN COVAIS & KIMBERLY LOCKE**

### **JOIN CAST OF 'STARS, STRIPES & SKATES ICETRAVAGANZA' ON OCT. 22**

**NEW YORK, Sept. 2006** - - What do you get when you combine musical stars like Broadway diva **Deborah Gibson**, former "New Kid" **Jordan Knight** and popular American Idol vocalists **Kevin Covais** and **Kimberly Locke** with figure skating champions like **Nancy Kerrigan**, **Viktor Petrenko** and **Oksana Baiul** . . . and 100 youngsters called **America's Future Skating Stars?**

Answer: You get the **Stars, Stripes & Skates ICEtravaganza** to benefit **The Heritage Foundation of 9/11** scheduled for Sunday, October 22, 2006, at 3 p.m. at the Nassau Veterans Memorial Coliseum in Uniondale, NY. The show, which will be hosted by two-time Olympic medalist Kerrigan, will be taped for delayed broadcast by Comcast.

A teenage superstar in the late '80s, Gibson, who recently appeared on TV's "Skating with the Stars" with Kurt Browning, is now a dynamic Broadway musical star and a versatile concert performer. And Knight, one of the original members of legendary late '80s boy band, "New Kids on the Block," has been enjoying a successful solo career over the past several years. Together, Gibson and Knight have a duet called "Say Goodbye" currently climbing the Adult Contemporary charts that appears on Knight's new album, "Love Songs," in stores now.

Long Island's Covais, who America came to affectionately call "Chicken Little," this season, and Locke, who already has launched a flourishing recording career, were both semi-finalists on the hugely popular TV series.

Petrenko won the Gold Medal in the 1992 Winter Games, and Baiul equaled that feat a decade later. They will be joined on the ice by spinning sensation **Lucinda Ruh** and U.S. National Jr. Pairs Champions **Meryl Davis and Charlie White**. A high point of the afternoon will be the performance by **America's Future Skating Stars** - - 100 youngsters between the ages of 4 and 19 who went through an arduous audition process to be chosen to skate in the patriotic number that will be choreographed especially for them.

The newly re-named Heritage Foundation of 9/11 is a non-profit organization whose mission is to keep the memory and meaning of 9/11/01 alive in the minds and hearts of current and future generations of young people throughout America. Its primary avenues for accomplishing this goal are: (1) to produce a first-class ice show that ties together all of these messages; (2) to publish a 9/11 Workbook for children to use in school; and (3) to create events for 9/11 heroes and survivors to tell their stories to young people in ways they can learn and appreciate.

To purchase tickets, visit the Nassau Coliseum Box Office, call Ticketmaster at 212-307-7171 or go to Ticketmaster.com.

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