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Celebrate Spring Break Close to Home with Silver Dollar City's Spring Break Days, Young Christians' Weekend, Showboat Branson Belle

Silver Dollar City Opens March 19 for Family Spring Break Days

(Branson, Mo. 3/09) Adding entertainment options close to home for families when schools are on spring break, **Silver Dollar City opens March 19 for Family Spring Break Days**, with a lineup of entertainment for kids and families. The park opens the rides, along with crafts and attractions, and hosts musical groups including the Sons of the Silver Dollar and Pure Heart, comedian Chris Stanley, and the interactive show Doc Gizmo's Science Theater.

"The close-to-home spring break getaway is what guests are looking for right now, with kids ready to break-out on high-flying thrill rides and families wanting entertainment options," says Silver Dollar City's Events Coordinator D.A. Callaway. "When we started opening for spring break four years ago, we found the demand far exceeded our expectations. In this year's eight spring break days, we could see as many as 80,000 guests from all over America's heartland."

Silver Dollar City's Family Spring Break Days run Thursdays through Sundays, March 19 - 29. Hours are 9:30 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. each day, except Sunday, March 29, when the park opens at 9:00 a.m. For tickets, show schedules and general park information, call 1-800-831-4 FUN or log on to www.silverdollarcity.com.

Young Christians' Weekend Rocks the Park March 27 - 29

Also featured during Family Spring Break Days is a special event designed for teens: **Young Christians' Weekend, March 27–29.** The Midwest's premier Christian youth event combines big-name concerts, inspirational speakers, youth-leader workshops and worship services. **Featured bands are 2009 Dove Award nominee Kutless, and Grammy and Dove Award nominee Leeland.** Rally and worship speakers include Christian athlete and champion of NBC's American Gladiator show Tim Oliphant, and Kanakuk Ministries founder and author Joe White. Armbands for admission to rallies and concerts are issued at the time of ticket purchase or are given until events are full.

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Silver Dollar City's Young Christians' Weekend runs March 27-29. Complete weekend schedules are available online. To make reservations for the family or the whole youth group, call 800-417-7770 or visit www.silverdollarcity.com. The park is open to the public during the event.

Showboat Branson Belle Launches Season March 20

The Showboat Branson Belle launches its season March 20, with cruises on select days in March. **Headlined by ventriloquist Todd Oliver and his trio of talking dogs, *Branson's Premier Lake Experience* includes a 3-course dinner, a cruise on Table Rock Lake and a world-class production show**, in the 700-seat theater aboard the paddlewheeler.

The Showboat Branson Belle cruises begin March 20 and run Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays and Saturdays through March, with cruises at 4 p.m. on weekdays, and both noon and 4 p.m. on Fridays and Saturdays. For complete schedules, call 1-800-775-BOAT or log on to www.showboatbransonbelle.com.

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