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FREE URBANA MUSIC FESTIVAL OFFERS FAMILY FUN AND NATIONALLY-ACCLAIMED MUSICAL PERFORMANCES FOR ALL AGES

Library, residents and businesses partner for celebration on Saturday, June 26 at the Urbana Regional Library

FREDERICK, MD, June 8, 2010 – The second annual Urbana Music Festival has grown since its successful start in 2009 and returns on Saturday, June 26, 2010 from noon-6:30. The event coincides with the kickoff of Frederick County Public Libraries’ Summer Reading Club, so families have the opportunity to spend time enjoying visiting the library and celebrating on the plaza outside.

The festival was born when Frederick County Public Libraries and the Villages of Urbana decided to collaborate on a one-day celebration to benefit the community. The festival is underwritten by contributors including the C. Burr Artz Trust, Natelli Communities, Main Street Homes, NV Homes, Parkwood Homes, Ryan Homes, the Villages of Urbana, Franklin Liquors, the Town Courier and Friends of the Urbana Regional Library.

New this year, FMH Urbana is providing financial support for this event, in recognition of their new facility on Worthington Boulevard. “When the library approached us about getting involved with the festival, we were delighted to support the event,” said Harry Grandinett, Director of Marketing and Communications for Frederick Memorial Hospital. “Several tenants in our new building have stepped forward to support the event as well, such as the Pediatric Center, Capital Women’s Care and Frederick Foot & Ankle. We are all pleased to introduce ourselves to our new neighbors in Urbana through this wonderful event.”

Tom Natelli, President and Chief Executive Officer for Natelli Communities, regards the festival as an asset for both residents and visitors to Urbana. Natelli Communities donated the land upon which the library was built. “The Urbana Music Festival is a great blend of organizations and people who support family-friendly entertainment in an attractive setting,” he stated.

Darrell Batson, Director of Frederick County Public Libraries, voiced his appreciation for the event sponsors. “We are delighted to host the celebration at the Urbana Regional Library and are thankful for our corporate partners, who make our special events possible. In these difficult economic times, it is wonderful to have partners to fully shoulder the expenses for events such as the Urbana Music Festival. They are truly providing a gift to the community.”

The mainstage schedule is as follows:

12-1:30 pm

Performance by the Band Whatever (Classic Rock)

1:30-2:15 pm

Salsa dancing demo/free lessons with LatinDanceVibe.com and Urbana Dance Studio

2:15-3:45 pm

Performance by Sin Miedo (salsa)

3:45-4 pm

Karate demonstration by Kicks Karate

3:45-4:30 pm

Cooking demonstration by Bravo TV's "Top Chef" star, Bryan Voltaggio

4:30-6:30 pm

Performance by Last Train Home (rock/country)

In addition to the performances, the festival will feature moonbounces, an inflatable obstacle course, pony rides, petting zoo, a climbing wall, and mascot appearances by Sesame Street character, Elmo and the Frederick Keys mascot, Keyote. The FMH Mobile Health Unit will welcome visitors to the festival. A craft show will feature artwork from local artists (for vendor details, email vousocial@villagesofurbana.net). Urbana Art & Soul will oversee a kid-friendly, interactive mural project throughout the afternoon so that budding artists can leave a lasting impression.

Food and drink will be available from a variety of vendors, including the Painted Cone, the Gourmet Gang and J&P's Pizza.

The Urbana Regional Library is located at 9020 Amelung Street in Urbana. In the event of rain, performances and activities will move inside the library as much as possible. For further information about the Urbana Music Festival, please visit fcpl.org or call the Urbana Regional Library at 301-600-7000.

NOTE TO EDITORS/REPORTERS: The following artwork is available upon request: Last Train Home and Sin Miedo band photos; Bryan Voltaggio photo; Keyote photo; Urbana Regional Library photo; event sponsor logos. Please contact Elizabeth Cromwell at ecromwell@frederickcountymd.gov.

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