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THE 2005 COORS LIGHT CONCERT SERIES at FORD PAVILION

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VELVET REVOLVER with Hoobastank

Friday, May 13 - 7:30pm

Reserved Tickets (\$39.50) are on sale now

If you haven't heard about Velvet Revolver by now then you probably live under a rock. For those of you who do live under rocks, a brief overview: Velvet Revolver is a band that brings together, "former members of one of rock's greatest groups Guns N' Roses" Slash, bassist Duff McKagan and drummer Matt Sorum. Also in Velvet Revolver is Scott Weiland, formerly of Stone Temple Pilots, and guitarist Dave Kushner, ex-Wasted Youth, Electric Love Hogs and Dave Navarro's band. Sorum, Slash, and McKagan played a benefit/tribute show together in 2002 and felt like they were on to something great. "That chemistry never went away," says McKagan. As for their music, the influences of all the members' former bands echoes throughout the Velvet Revovler CD. "Our music is very aggressive," mentions Duff. "We really hope to bring some chaos back into the whole world of rock."

Accompanying Velvet Revolver on tour will be the alternative rockers Hoobastank. The quartet is most known for their singles "Crawling in the Dark" and the more recent "Out of Control." Velvet Revolver and Hoobastank is a show not to be missed.

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JUDAS PRIEST with Queensryche

Tuesday, June 14 - 7:30pm

Tickets (\$25.00, \$45.00 and \$65.00) are on sale now

Judas Priest is back on the road, this time headlining a national tour in support of their 2005 release *Angel of Retribution*. This time they're bringing the rockers of Queensryche along for the ride. Judas Priest was one of the most influential heavy metal bands of the '70s. The band fuses the gothic doom of Black Sabbath with the riffs and speed of Led Zeppelin, as well as adding a vicious two-lead guitar attack. They set the pace for much of the popular heavy metal from 1975 until 1985, as well as laying the groundwork for the speed and death metal of the '80s.

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RASCAL FLATTS with Blake Shelton and Shelly Fairchild

Saturday, June 18 – 8:00pm

Tickets (\$27.00 and \$43.50) are on sale now

By any measure, Rascal Flatts has entered elite territory. Five years into a career marked by superlatives, they have become country music's premiere young headliners. Hits like *These Days*, *I'm Movin' On, I Melt* and *Mayberry* have taken them repeatedly to the top of the charts. They have sold four-million records, with their second CD, <u>Melt</u>, charging to platinum in less than a month. They have pulled in a host of awards and accolades, and are the reigning CMA (2003 & 2004), ACM, CMT and ASCAP Vocal Group of the Year. They have played for the President and First Lady, become national spokesmen for the American Red Cross, and hosted a farewell tribute to the legendary group Alabama, to whom they continue to draw comparisons.

The hit songs and relentless work ethic drove them inexorably toward platinum status and a host of awards and milestones. Their debut CD was one of only three million-selling debuts in half a decade, and it spawned four top-ten singles. They toured with Brooks & Dunn, then headlined their own CMT "Most Wanted Live Tour." They received the 2002 CMA Horizon Award, the ACM's Song of the Year award for *I'm Movin' On*, and the CMT Flameworthy Favorite Group or Duo Award for the *These Days* video.

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DAVE MATTHEWS BAND with Howie Day

Wednesday, June 22 – 7:00pm

This show will be SOLD OUT shortly!!!!
Tickets (\$39.00 and \$56.50) are on sale now

Dave Matthews Band is on tour this summer and comes to Scranton for the very first time. DMB is touring on the heels of their May 10th Dual Disc release *Stand Up*. His heartfelt singing layers unpredictable melodies on top of bouncy chords that seem to fit together effortlessly. Matthews also subtly incorporates some Latin rhythms and World Fusion into his bouncy Jam Rock/Pop, which gives his songs sonic texture and extra dimension.

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EARTH, WIND & FIRE / CHICAGO

Saturday, July 2 – 7:30pm

Tickets (\$27.50, \$47.50, and \$67.50) go on sale Saturday, May 7th at 10am Chicago, the legendary rock 'n roll band with horns, has written, recorded and performed some of the most popular and best loved songs in rock history. Through it all, they have remained a working band, releasing 29 albums and touring continually since forming in 1967. Last year, Chicago joined forces with all-time R&B greats Earth, Wind & Fire for one of the summer's most successful and creative tours. In fact, it was such a successful double-bill that the two bands will reunite again this summer. Both groups started in the city of Chicago and have achieved massive worldwide fame and record sales. Fans can expect to hear more than 3 hours of hits during the tour de force, which will begin and end with both bands playing onstage together.

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TOBY KEITH with Lee Ann Womack and Shooter Jennings

Sunday, July 10 - 7:30pm

NEW SHOWDATE - MOVED FROM JULY 24.

Tickets purchased through the Country Megaticket will be honored Individual tickets are not on sale yet

Toby Keith goes on tour this summer in support of his May 17th release *Honkytonk University*. The singer, songwriter, artist and performer has experienced an unparalleled career ascension over the past five years, and year-end charts confirm that his trajectory shows no signs of turning.

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ZOOMA TOUR – Trey Anastasio / Ben Harper with Innocent Criminals, Sound Tribe Sector 9 and Umphrey's McGee

Tues. July 12th - 3:30pm

Tickets (\$32.50 and \$47.50) go on sale Saturday May 14th at 10am

With Trey Anastasio and Ben Harper & the Innocent Criminals leading the charge, this roving entertainment experience will feature two performance stages, a complete activity village, and best of all, great bands. Inspired by the Bonnaroo tradition, the Zooma Tour will have a fun atmosphere, plenty of engaging attractions, and performances from some of the most talented artists on the scene. For more details and exact line-up check out www.zoomatour.com.

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JOHN MELLENCAMP / JOHN FOGERTY

Wednesday, July 13 - 7:00pm

Tickets (\$23.00, \$39.50, and \$65.00) go on sale Saturday, May 14^h at 10am Lawn tickets are only \$15 on May 14 – the day they go onsale! One day only!

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TOM PETTY & THE HEARTBREAKERS with The Black Crowes

Saturday, July 23 - 7:00pm

Tickets are not on sale yet

For the first time in 2 years, Tom Petty & The Heartbreakers are going on tour this summer. From their earliest hits "American Girl" and "Don't Do Me Like That" to their more recent infectious songs from the album "The Last DJ," Tom Petty and The Heartbreakers have become icons of American rock n roll. In the 90's Petty dabbled in solo and ensemble work joining rock legends Bob Dylan, Jeff Lynne, George Harrison, and Roy Orbison as one fifth of the Traveling Wilburys.

The Black Crowes made their long-awaited return to the live concert stage in Jan. 2005. As a result of these sold out shows they were asked to join both the Bonnaroo and the New Orleans Jazz festivals and now with Tom Petty & the Heartbreakers.

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3 DOORS DOWN with Staind and Breaking Benjamin

Saturday, July 30 - 6:30pm

Tickets (\$24.00, \$36.00, \$46.00 and \$61.00) go on sale Sat., May 7th at 10am 3 Doors Down with special guests Staind and Breaking Benjamin will be rocking the Ford Pavilion this July. 3 Doors Down have had six #1 singles - "Kryptonite," "Duck & Run," "Loser," "Be Like That," "When I'm Gone" and "Here Without You," making them one of the most popular and consistently successful rock bands in recent history. 'Seventeen Days' is the Mississippi rock band's third studio album and their first #1 album debut. It entered the Billboard Top 200 Chart at #1 on February 8, 2005. Billboard Magazine says, "even with a healthy respect for heritage, 3 Doors Down is a thoroughly modern American band –and a damn good one."

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VANS WARPED TOUR 2005

featuring The Offspring, Dropkick Murphys, My Chemical Romance, Fall Out Boy, Millencolin, Something Corporate, Mest, Thrice, The Starting Line and many more!

Thursday, August 11 – 12:00pm *GA Tickets (\$26.00) are on sale now*

The Vans Warped Tour is back this summer once again hosting a killer array of punk, emo, and hardcore bands. This year's punk rock summer camp includes dynamic acts such as Dropkick Murphys, Transplants, Avenged Sevenfold, Hot Rod Circuit, Story of the Year, Gratitude, The Fight, and Motion City Soundtrack (just to name a few). The day consists of over fifty bands playing on six stages throughout the day and into the night. "Really, this show feels like a backyard party," says Warped Tour founder Kevin Lyman. "This kind of stuff is about the music that's in my heart, I love this stuff." For more details and exact line-up check out www.warpedtour.com.

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MEAT LOAF

Friday, Sept. 2 – 8:00pm

Reserved tickets (\$39.50 and \$49.50) are on sale now

Born Marvin Lee Aday, Meat Loaf began his career in the public eye as both a musician and an actor. He performed in several off-Broadway productions and played in the band Meat Loaf Soul. The band opened for the likes of the Who, the Stooges, and Ted Nugent before Meat Loaf won a role in a West Coast production of the musical Hair. But it wasn't until his solo debut *Bat Out of Hell* in 1977 that Meat Loaf earned his title as a talented and well-known musician. He has fed his signature sound of rock n roll mixed with "plaintive terror and soaring harmonies" to millions of rock lovers all over the world. The follow-up album *Bat Out of Hell II: Back Into Hell* proved almost as successful as the first Bat Out of Hell, selling over five million copies and yielding a massive hit single with "I'd Do Anything for Love (But I Won't Do That)." Now Meat Loaf is back and headlining a national tour in support of his newest release *Bat Out of Hell Live: with the Melbourne Symphony*.

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Tickets for all Electric Factory Concerts at Ford Pavilion are available at the Ford Pavilion Box Office, All ticketmaster outlets, online at ticketmaster.com or charge by phone at 570-693-4100. For more information call the Ford Pavilion at 570-961-9000 or go to fordpavilion.com or electric factory.com/wbscranton. A convenience charge is added to each ticket price.

As the summer progresses, showtimes, artists, prices and on sales are subject to change. Please refer to the most recent press releases for the most up-to-date information. For all inquiries, contact Nancy Farbman at nancyfarbman@clearchannel.com