SIRIUS XM Radio to Launch The Woodstock Channel in Celebration of Woodstock’s 40th Anniversary

"The Woodstock Channel" to highlight Woodstock's performers with music and interviews
Listeners to hear performances by Jimi Hendrix, Grateful Dead, The Who, Crosby, Stills, Nash & Young, Santana, Jefferson Airplane, Janis Joplin, Sly & The Family Stone and Johnny Winter
Stars of new comedy "Taking Woodstock" to share behind-the-scenes anecdotes about making the movie

NEW YORK, Aug 07, 2009 /PRNewswire-FirstCall via COMTEX News Network/ -- SIRIUS XM Radio (Nasdaq: SIRI) announced today that it will launch The Woodstock Channel to celebrate the 40(th) anniversary of the Woodstock Music & Art Fair held at Max Yasgur's farm in Bethel, New York in 1969.

The Woodstock Channel will launch on Friday, August 14, at 12:00 pm ET and air through Sunday, August 16 on Deep Tracks, SIRIUS channel 16 and XM channel 40, and will be devoted to the historic music festival featuring music, interviews and memories from the artists who were there, including Graham Nash, Leslie West, Arlo Guthrie, The Band, Creedence Clearwater Revival and Joe Cocker.

SIRIUS XM listeners will hear music from artists in the exact order that they performed at the festival each day -- beginning with Richie Havens and ending with Jimi Hendrix. The Woodstock Channel will also feature complete performances from Santana, Janis Joplin, Sly & The Family Stone, Johnny Winter and Jefferson Airplane as they happened at the original 1969 festival. These five performances are featured on the new Woodstock Experience CDs, available now from Legacy Recordings.

During the limited-run channel, listeners will hear content from Woodstock - 40 Years On: Back To Yasgur’s Farm, the new 6-CD boxed set to be released on August 11 by Rhino Entertainment, featuring the most comprehensive collection of artists that performed at the original festival, showcasing 38 previously unreleased recordings, including Grateful Dead, The Who, Country Joe & The Fish and others.

Listeners will also hear exclusive interviews with the stars and filmmakers of Taking Woodstock, the new comedy about a man who inadvertently played a role in making Woodstock into the famed happening it was. Stars Demetri Martin, Eugene Levy, Emile Hirsch and Liev Schreiber, Oscar(R)-winning director/producer Ang Lee and screenwriter/producer James Schamus will each share personal stories about making the movie. Additionally, the limited-run channel will feature tracks from the Taking Woodstock Original Motion Picture Soundtrack, set to be released on August 25 by Rhino Entertainment. The Focus Features movie opens in theaters in New York and Los Angeles on Wednesday, August 26 and nationwide on Friday, August 28.

For more information about The Woodstock Channel, please visit www.sirius.com or www.xmradio.com.

For more information about Woodstock, visit www.woodstock.com. To join the Woodstock online community, visit www.woodstockuniverse.com.


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SIRIUS XM Radio has content relationships with an array of personalities and artists, including Howard Stern, Martha Stewart, Oprah Winfrey, Jimmy Buffett, Jamie Foxx, Barbara Walters, Opie & Anthony, Bubba the Love Sponge(R), The Grateful Dead, Willie Nelson, Bob Dylan, Tom Petty, and Bob Edwards. SIRIUS XM Radio is the leader in sports programming as the Official Satellite Radio Partner of the NFL, Major League Baseball(R), NASCAR(R), NBA, NHL(R), and PGA TOUR(R), and broadcasts major college sports.

SIRIUS XM Radio has arrangements with every major automaker. SIRIUS XM Radio products are available at shop.sirius.com and shop.xmradio.com, and at retail locations nationwide, including Best Buy, RadioShack, Target, Sam's Club, and Wal-Mart.

SIRIUS XM Radio also offers SIRIUS Backseat TV, the first ever live in-vehicle rear seat entertainment featuring Nickelodeon, Disney Channel and Cartoon Network; XM NavTraffic(R) service for GPS navigation systems delivers real-time traffic
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