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## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

### UNO CHICAGO GRILL PRESENTS OPERATION SWAN DIVE 2008; MUSIC SCHEDULES ANNOUNCED

**Additional Sunday Evening Event to include National Band Sister Hazel and French Lick  
(Featuring World Champion Celtics' Owner Wyc Grousbeck)**

**Pepperell, MA – July 8, 2008** – Organizers today announced the event schedule for musical acts performing during Operation Swan Dive, a 2-day Cancer skydiving fundraiser presented by UNO Chicago Grill and benefiting the Lyrics for Life organization. The event is taking place the weekend of July 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup>, 2008 at SkyDive Pepperell in Pepperell, Massachusetts and will be followed by a more intimate dinner and concert event at the drop zone on Sunday evening.

Operation Swan Dive will take place rain or shine and will include over 40 individuals who have committed to jump for charity, including Sister Hazel lead guitarist Ryan Newell. There will be a raffle of many prizes in addition to a silent auction that will include several one-of-a-kind autographed items. UNO Chicago Grill has graciously donated all the food for the weekend, which attendees can enjoy for a small donation. All musical performances are free; all times are approximate and subject to change.

#### Performing Saturday:

<b>3:00PM</b>	<b>JEN MURDZA</b> <a href="http://www.myspace.com/jmurdza">www.myspace.com/jmurdza</a>
<b>4:00 PM</b>	<b>EVAN MICHAEL</b> <a href="http://www.myspace.com/emband">www.myspace.com/emband</a>
<b>5:00 PM</b>	<b>JUNIOR BEAMER</b> <a href="http://www.myspace.com/juniorbeamer">www.myspace.com/juniorbeamer</a>
<b>6:00PM</b>	<b>CLAIRE WYNDHAM</b> <a href="http://www.myspace.com/clairewyndham">www.myspace.com/clairewyndham</a>
<b>7:00 PM</b>	<b>JOHN TAGLIERI</b> <a href="http://www.myspace.com/johntaglierimusic">www.myspace.com/johntaglierimusic</a>
<b>8:00PM</b>	<b>DAVE PITTENGER</b> <a href="http://www.myspace.com/davepittenger">www.myspace.com/davepittenger</a>
<b>9:00 PM</b>	<b>TIM BLANE</b> <a href="http://www.myspace.com/timblane">www.myspace.com/timblane</a>

## **Performing Sunday:**

### **12:30 PM            DAVE PITTENGER**

[www.myspace.com/davepittenger](http://www.myspace.com/davepittenger)

“Pittenger’s latest CD Simple Things...is one of those rare records that you listen to and decide you like right away...[the] focus on feel and sound is right on the money...Pittenger is cut from the same cloth as guys like Ben Folds, Tom Delonge, John Rzeznik and Mathew Sweet. And that’s good. With 10 surefooted songs...the disc is a perfect pop record to shake up current boring trends.” John Pfeiffer, The Aquarian.

### **1:30 PM            TIM BLANE**

[www.myspace.com/timblane](http://www.myspace.com/timblane)

“You’re way better than the usual white guy with an acoustic guitar!” is a compliment Tim Blane hears often. Armed with pop hooks, a soulful voice, and a songwriting style seeped in jazz, rock, and blues, Blane has a sound both refreshing and memorable. His new album, "Clockwork" is an expansion of his catchy and honest songwriting. Metronome Magazine said Clockwork is “filled with lush instrumentation, beautifully clever prose, and songs that make the heart remember...a masterful body of work.”

### **2:30 PM            SISTER HAZEL**

[www.sisterhazel.com](http://www.sisterhazel.com); [www.myspace.com/sisterhazel](http://www.myspace.com/sisterhazel)

Sister Hazel has sold over two million albums and played more than 15,000 live shows in their 17-plus-year career. The platinum-selling band co-founded the Rock Boat ([www.therockboat.com](http://www.therockboat.com)), the world’s largest floating music festival, with Sixthman in 2001. Also in 2001, the band established the charity, Lyrics for Life, which benefits children with cancer. Sister Hazel is: Ken Block (vocals, acoustic guitar), Drew Copeland (vocals, rhythm guitar), Ryan Newell (lead guitar), Jett Beres (bass), and Mark Trojanowski (drums).

## **Sunday Evening Under the Stars**

On July 20<sup>th</sup>, join Operation Swan Dive and Lyrics for Life for a night of food, fun and fabulous music. Beer, wine and buffet dinner will be served, followed by a concert of Sister Hazel and friends. Festivities begin at 6:00 pm and casual attire is recommended. Tickets are \$75.00 per person at: [www.lyricsforlife.org](http://www.lyricsforlife.org).

Joining Sister Hazel will be Keith Kane (of Vertical Horizon) and French Lick, a Boston-based band whose song list is rooted in “classic rock you can dance to.” French Lick features bassist Pete Galea, formerly of Fooled By April, on lead guitar, Dave Andonian and on keys, Michael Tzannes, both formerly with Captain Miles Band. On drums, is BOSTON CELTICS owner and CEO, Wyc Grousbeck. For more, visit [www.myspace.com/keithkane](http://www.myspace.com/keithkane) and [www.frenchlickband.com](http://www.frenchlickband.com).

**Operation Swan Dive would like to thank the following for their support of the weekend: UNO Chicago Grill, SkyDive Pepperell, J. Bella Salon, AirTran, Campus Customs, Radisson Hotels, Outback Steak House, Newcastle Beer, Shaw's, Embassy Suites Hotels, Panera, Carrabas, Applebee's, Wilson Golf Clubs, DifferRentals, Campers Inn, Blake Brothers, Daddy's Junky Music, Glaceau SmartWater, United Rentals, and Avalon Design Unlimited.**

About The Weekend:

Operation Swan Dive is a 2-day event the weekend of July 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup>, 2008 benefiting Lyrics for Life, a non-profit organization that raises funds for Cancer research and to enrich the lives of those suffering from the disease. The event weekend, which will take place rain or shine at SkyDive Pepperell ([www.skyjump.com](http://www.skyjump.com)), will be filled with skydiving and music and will end on Sunday afternoon with a live concert by members of Sister Hazel. For more information, visit [www.operationswandive.org](http://www.operationswandive.org).

About Lyrics for Life:

Lyrics for Life is a non-profit organization created by Sister Hazel front-man Ken Block. The charity unites musicians and celebrities for concert events, auctions and other fundraising events. These efforts raise money for children's Cancer charities, funding groups that work to find a cure and enrich the lives of patients and their families. Lyrics for Life started in memoriam for Ken Block's younger brother Jeffrey, who ultimately lost his four-year battle with Cancer. For more, visit [www.lyricsforlife.org](http://www.lyricsforlife.org).

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