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## **The Revelry Begins this Saturday at Scarborough Renaissance Festival®!**

Dallas/Fort Worth, TX (April 4, 2016) The revelry, majesty and magic of the most unique festival in North Texas, Scarborough Renaissance Festival®, begins its 36<sup>th</sup> season this Saturday, April 9<sup>th</sup>! To kick off the 2016 season, the Festival is offering Kids Free April 9<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup> – up to three children (ages 5-12) admitted free with each paid adult. Children 4 and under are *always* free. Seniors 65+ can get in for half price when they purchase a ticket at the gate this weekend as well.

There is interactive fun for everyone at Scarborough Renaissance Festival® as you step back in time to the 16<sup>th</sup> Century days of King Henry VIII. 23 stages of extraordinary non-stop entertainment, full combat jousting, Birds of Prey exhibitions, the Grande Parade, Renaissance rides, games of skills, plus mermaids, knighting ceremonies, a human chess match, over 150 costumed performers and so much more!

Featured opening weekend (April 9<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup>) entertainment includes guest entertainers “The London Broil Show”, “Topsy Turvy”, “Queen Anne’s Lace” and new performers “Fireflicker the Dragon” and “Ember Rosenflame”. Of course you can also enjoy longtime favorites like “Don Juan & Miguel”, “Zilch the Tory Steller”, “Cale the Juggler”, “Cirque de Sewer”, “Cantiga”, multiple Guinness World Record holder Adam Winrich’s “The Fire Whip Show” and many, many more.

Scarborough Renaissance Festival® is also one of the largest outdoor juried craft shows in the country offering an incredible shopping experience with exquisite hand-made crafts in over 200 shoppes. Artisans will also demonstrate a variety of age-old crafts throughout each day of the Festival. Visitors are invited to discover new shoppes such as “Lady of the Lake Silks”, “The Knarly Knot”, “Sea Glass Gypsy” and “Namesake Henna” along with guest Artisans “Skiddlyrumpus Toys” and “Thistle & Gunn”.

*“We are very excited to begin our 36<sup>th</sup> season of Scarborough Renaissance Festival®.”* says Coy Sevier, General Manager. *“The entertainment line-up is one of the best ever including the largest cast in our 35 year history. We are also pleased to introduce a number of exciting new artisans with some of the most amazing crafts you will ever see. There is truly something for everyone at Scarborough Renaissance Festival® and we invite you all to join us for the eight weeks of the 2016 season!”*

You can also feast on food and drink fit for a king at Scarborough Renaissance Festival®! The Festival has the very best giant roasted Turkey Legs you will ever eat, the largest food-on-a-stick selection in North Texas, Scottish Eggs, handmade pasta and pastries and so much more at our five food courts. You can even dine at our sit down restaurant, the Rose & Crown Inn Restaurant, that features daily specials and signature items like Shepard’s Pie, meat pies and Muffalettas.

Visitors over 21 can partake in Scarborough Mead, beer, wine and other adult beverages at one of the 10 pubs and taverns. The daily Beer and Wine Tastings will feature the wines and beers of Germany for the tasting events on April 9<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup>. The tastings sell out fast, so it is recommend that you purchase tasting tickets in advance.

Scarborough Renaissance Festival® 2016 opens April 9<sup>th</sup> and will run every Saturday & Sunday (and Memorial Day Monday) for eight consecutive weekends through May 30, 2016. Each weekend has a different theme and a variety of special events. Upcoming theme weekends include Celtic Weekend April 16<sup>th</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup> and the Royal Ale Festival April 23<sup>rd</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup>.

Located in Waxahachie, Scarborough Renaissance Festival® is just 30 minutes south of Dallas and Fort Worth on FM 66 off of I-35E at exit 399A. From Austin or Waco, follow I-35E north to Exit 399.

Admission is \$25 for adults and \$10 for children, ages 5-12 . Children age 4 and under are admitted free. Parking is free compliments of Waxahachie Autoplex. Tickets are available on-line and discount tickets can be purchased at Tom Thumb & Albertsons stores. A '2 tickets for \$40' coupon can be found at North Texas MetroPCS stores from March 28<sup>th</sup> through May 1<sup>st</sup>, and discount coupons can be found throughout the season at Waxahachie Autoplex. Sponsored by Dr Pepper. For more information visit **SRFestival.com**. Facebook & Twitter (SRFestival) or on Instagram (theSRFestival)

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