

## **Brad Duncan Named Sales Manager For Branson's Chateau On The Lake Resort, Spa & Convention Center**

BRANSON, MO (November 2009) – **Brad Duncan** has joined the AAA Four-Diamond **Chateau on the Lake Resort, Spa & Convention Center** in **Branson, Missouri**, as Sales Manager. In his new position, Duncan coordinates meetings, conventions, and stays at the resort for religious groups, motorcoach tour groups, and for groups in southern Missouri. The 301-room resort boasts one of the largest convention centers in Missouri, with 43,500 square feet of flexible meeting space, with the ability to host groups from 10 to 3,000. The resort is a consistent recipient of the meetings industry's highest honors, having recently captured *Successful Meetings* magazine's highly coveted "Pinnacle Award" for 2009.

A 14-year hospitality industry veteran, **Duncan** comes to Chateau on the Lake Resort, Spa & Convention Center from Wyndham Vacation Ownership, where he served as an in-house sales representative. Prior to that, he served as the Front Office Manager for the famed AAA Four-Diamond Adolphus in Dallas, Texas. Previous to that, he served as Guest Services Supervisor for Tan-Tar-A Resort, Golf Club, Marina & Indoor Waterpark in the Lake of the Ozarks.

"We've brought on an outstanding hospitality and sales industry professional with the addition of Brad," said Stephen Marshall, the resort's vice president and general manager. "He has a very good understanding of the group market, as well as of our resort and the Branson area. He is a great addition to our team."

Boasting an impressive 10-story sky-lit atrium that features meandering streams brimming with colorful Koi fish, Chateau on the Lake Resort, Spa & Convention Center provides breathtaking vistas of Table Rock Lake, beautiful gardens, and surrounding Ozark mountains. Its 301 spacious guest rooms and suites feature cherry wood beds, down comforters, tiled stone baths, dual-line telephones with data port, and WiFi access.

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Recreational options at the resort include the impressive 14,000-square-foot Spa Chateau, which features 10 luxurious treatment rooms; customized body treatments; a Roman Bath situated beneath a waterfall overlooking Table Rock Lake; a lake-view Movement Therapy Studio for Yoga; and a unique Barber Spa.

The resort's Chateau on the Lake Marina, open most of the year, offers more water sports activities than any other resort in the Midwest. Offerings at the full-service marina include an array of watercraft rentals, which includes ski boats, fishing boats, waverunners, catamarans, paddle boats, sea kayaks, and canoes. Parasailing, guided fishing excursions, scuba diving, and snorkeling are among the many other available options. With 850 miles of pristine shoreline and 80 miles of crystal blue water, Table Rock Lake is a perfect water playground for groups.

Additional recreational offerings at Chateau on the Lake include a 24-hour fitness center, two lighted tennis courts, a year-round indoor pool, an outdoor (seasonal) pool, indoor and outdoor hot tubs, nature and biking trails, the 54-seat Sassafras Movie Theater, Crawdaddies Kids Club, and full-service concierge. Golf at six area courses, which includes two of Missouri's finest, also is available to groups and guests.

The resort's dining options include the award-winning Chateau Grille, which features a stunning view of Table Rock Lake and is known for its elegant presentation and exceptional cuisine. Casual fare options include: the 9<sup>th</sup> Street Italian Deli, serving bistro-style sandwiches, hand-made pizza, and "to go" box lunches; the Atrium Café & Wine Bar, located in the lobby beside an indoor waterfall and stream; and The Sweet Shoppe, offering hand-dipped ice cream, baked goods, candies, and specialty coffees.

Widely regarded as the "Live Music Show Capital of the World," Branson features a wealth of offerings that appeal to groups, which includes more than 100 live shows per day and a variety of impressive attractions. Among the newest offerings is the acclaimed Titanic: The World's Largest Interactive Titanic Museum & Exhibition. The new \$420-million Branson Landing in historic downtown features festivals, musical events, a variety of new waterfront dining options, and more than 400,000 sq. ft. of national brand-name shops, galleries and specialty gift shops. Other Branson offerings include Dick Clark's American Bandstand Theater Complex, and Silver Dollar City.

Chateau on the Lake Resort, Spa & Convention Center is owned and managed by Springfield, Missouri-based John Q. Hammons Hotels & Resorts. For more information on the resort, call **1-888-333-LAKE (5253)** or (417) 334-1161, or visit [www.ChateauOnTheLake.com](http://www.ChateauOnTheLake.com) .

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NOTE: **High-resolution photos** of the resort may be downloaded from <http://www.chateauonthelake.com/ImageDownload/DownloadImages.cfm> , or are available by contacting Karen Lamonica. A photo of Brad Duncan also is available by contacting Karen Lamonica.