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The Hotels of the Boardwalk Beach Resort Welcome Thousands of Teens Each Summer

Panama City Beach, FL- July 27, 2009: For the past 16 years, The Hotels of the Boardwalk Beach Resort have welcomed approximately 15,000 students from all over the country for a series of ten week-long Christian-based conferences. Approximately 1500 teenagers (ages 15-17) arrive each week to participate in organized activities geared to encourage them to change the world in which they live. These camps are promoted and organized solely by BigStuf Productions. Established in 1988, BigStuf is a non denominational nonprofit ministry based in Alpharetta, GA.

The goal and desire for these conferences is to create environments that enhance the opportunities to lead students into a growing relationship with Jesus Christ. All of the elements and logistics of the events are designed to motivate and inspire the younger generation.

“It’s become a movement of churches and students from around the country who want to be part of helping to change and shape our culture” said Lanny Donoho, the director and founder of BigStuf. “We don’t want to have your ordinary beach camp. Our goal is to help students and adults alike to leave here each week with a new or renewed vision to make a difference in the world. We believe that being a follower of Christ means a lot more than just going to church on Sundays.”

The camps are based in Panama City Beach and Daytona Beach; however, their impact can be felt world-wide. The BigStuf House, located in Africa was named in their honor for providing food, clothing and medical treatment for local orphans and the frequent trips to Africa ultimately resulted in another organization called The 410 Bridge. The mission of the 410 Bridge is to get students personally involved with the local communities; to assist residents with

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health, education, water, and hope. The students have helped to build wells, clinics, orphanages and micro business enterprises to help these communities become self-sustaining.

Donoho not only hosts and directs these camps and the 410 Bridge; he is also one of the producers of the Catalyst Conference in Atlanta, The Orange Conference for Youth and Children's Pastors, and he was instrumental in the founding of Northpoint Community Church, one of the largest churches in the country. He co-hosts with Jeff Foxworthy an event called Night for Africa, in Atlanta, and is author of the book *God's Blogs*.

For more information on the BigStuf organization, please visit <http://www.bigstuf.com>.

The Boardwalk Beach Resort- a Royal American Property, is comprised of a 22-story luxury condominium, two hotel buildings and the area's only beach-front convention center. Operating Panama City Beach's largest stretch of private beach and nearly 40,000 sq ft of meeting space; this resort offers a multitude of amenities and price points to fit all budgets. For more information please visit www.BoardwalkBeachResort.com.

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