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Blackhawks Head Coach Joel Quenneville, Musician Robbie Fulks, and Post-Election Dissection Among Lineup for CHICAGO LIVE! Taping, November 4

(November 1, 2010) Jam-packed with comedy, musical performances and commentary, **CHICAGO LIVE!** is a weekly live radio show taping showcasing who and what is making news in Chicago each week. CHICAGO LIVE! features topical comedy sketches by members of the award-winning Second City, interviews with front-page newsmakers and athletes, and rare, up-close performances by talent typically headlining on theater and music club stages, all in a fast-paced 60-minute program at the intimate Chicago Theatre Downstairs, 175 N. State Street, Thursday evenings, through November 18, at 6:30p.m. A "meet and mingle" reception with the cast follows each taping.

CHICAGO LIVE! is presented by the *Chicago Tribune*, in partnership with The Second City, and utilizes the abundance of expert talent from each institution. The live shows are taped for broadcast (and podcast) the following evening on WGN Radio (720AM) Fridays at 11p.m. (or midnight, based on sports coverage).

"This is a fascinating and bold ongoing experiment," says CHICAGO LIVE! host Rick Kogan. "Bringing the newspaper to life on stage has been full of surprises and revelations. Considering the nature of Chicago and Illinois politics, there is no telling how exciting and enlightening our post-election show will be."

The talent lineup for CHICAGO LIVE! on Thursday, November 4:

- **Joel Quenneville, Head Coach of the 2010 Stanley Cup Champions Chicago Blackhawks**, will talk about the current season and the team's awesome award-winning year with Tribune sports writer (and regular CHICAGO LIVE! contributor) **David Haugh**. (Trib sports columnist **Steve Rosenbloom** will join Haugh for CHICAGO LIVE!'s regular sports segment)
- **Steve Johnson** interviews alt-country hero **Robbie Fulks** followed by live acoustic performance
- On the heels of one of the state's most heated Election Days, political commentary by a panel of winners, watchers and political writers.
- **Jennifer Weigel** interviews author **Jacqueline Edelberg** (*How to Walk to School: Blueprint for a Neighborhood School Renaissance*) about her grass roots efforts which successfully transformed the Nettlehorst School in East Lakeview.
- Topical sketch comedy from **The Second City**.
- **Dawn Turner Trice** interviews **Dr. Richard Gardner** about Project Alpha.

- All hosted by veteran Chicago reporter, author and radio/TV personality **Rick Kogan**, who also presents one of the show's signature segments, "The Almanac," a multi-media reminiscence of historic Chicago happenings in a particular year.

Upcoming CHICAGO LIVE! programs include special guests author **Scott Turow**, comedian **Greg Proops**, and Lyric Opera countertenor **David Daniels** (Nov. 11) and a special "foodie"-themed final CHICAGO LIVE! program, with local celebrity chefs **Graham Elliot**, **Stephanie Izard** and **Paul Kahan**, plus Michelin Guide Director General **Jean-Luc Naret**, and a complimentary after-party showcasing Chicago's rich food and restaurant culture (Nov. 18).

CHICAGO LIVE! is one part of a new initiative of community outreach by the *Chicago Tribune*, which also includes "Chicago Forward: Conversations About the Future," a series of live gatherings of policymakers exploring issues of great importance to the Chicago region; programs by columnists and personalities; literary events; and a series of classes and seminars titled "TribU Lessons for Life." For 163 years, the *Chicago Tribune* has been a market-leading newspaper publication of Tribune Company. Reaching three million readers each week in the greater Chicago area, the publication is known for its award-winning journalism. The *Tribune's* news focus is centered on watchdog coverage, the Chicago experience, community issues and government, the local economy and business, as well as entertainment, culture and sports.

The Second City is the nation's premier developer of improv-based comedy and home to generations of the comedy world's most influential artists. Additionally, The Second City is a diverse entertainment company that operates the largest school of improvisation in the country, a corporate communications division that brings improv training to a wide array of businesses and a new media division that leverages the legendary company's expertise in topical, short form content across a variety of platforms.

Tickets for CHICAGO LIVE! are priced at \$25 and include a meet & mingle reception (with cash bar) following each taping. To purchase tickets online, please visit www.chicagolive.com. Tickets are also sold in advance and until show time at The Chicago Theatre box office, 175 N. State Street, until sold out. For more information or to download a podcast of all CHICAGO LIVE! programs, please visit www.chicagolive.com.

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