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Bert & Ernie Provide T.L.C. in Big D! *Great Photo Opportunity Tomorrow!*

What: **Sesame Street Live** brings 'sunny days' to Dallas this week with "Elmo Makes Music" at the Nokia Theatre at Grand Prairie. While the fun and furry friends are in town, Bert and Ernie will visit patients at Texas Scottish Rite Hospital for Children (TSRHC) and hand out *Sesame Street* books. The visit highlights a month-long fundraising venture between **Sesame Street Live** and Cotton Patch Café, Inc. benefiting TSRHC. The family-friendly casual dining chain has raised over \$11,000 for TSRHC by selling *Sesame Street* books for 99¢ with each kid's meal sold in the restaurant. A formal check presentation to the hospital is scheduled during the visit. In addition, Cotton Patch Café has donated tickets to the Sun., Feb. 25 performance of "Elmo Makes Music" to TSRHC so that patients can enjoy the full performance. Please join us for this very special appearance!

When: Friday, February 23 at 2:30 p.m.

Where: Texas Scottish Rite Hospital for Children
2222 Welborn Street
Dallas, TX 75219

What: **Sesame Street Live** "Elmo Makes Music"

When:	Thursday	Feb. 22	7 p.m.
	Friday	Feb. 23	10:30 a.m. & 7 p.m.
	Saturday	Feb. 24	10:30 a.m., 2 p.m. & 5:30 p.m.
	Sunday	Feb. 25	2 p.m. & 5:00 p.m.

Where: Nokia Theatre at Grand Prairie
1001 Performance Place
Grand Prairie, TX 75050

Tickets: \$16 and \$22. A limited number of \$26 Premium and \$32 Gold Circle seats are also available. Opening night, all seats (excluding Premium & Gold Circle) are \$12. A facility fee of \$3 will be added to all ticket prices. Additional fees and discounts may apply. For more information, call 972.854.5111. To charge tickets by phone, please call Ticketmaster at 214.373.8000. Tickets may also be purchased online at www.ticketmaster.com or www.aeglive.com. For information online, please visit www.sesamestreetlive.com.

ABOUT VEE CORPORATION

Minneapolis-based VEE Corporation is the nation's preeminent producer of live touring family entertainment. In 1980, VEE presented the first production of **Sesame Street Live**, now the longest running children's tour in history. Today, thanks to 27 years of successful "sunny days," VEE Corporation has toured 17 countries around the globe, and entertained millions of children and families. With unparalleled imagination, ingenuity and expertise in custom brand promotion, VEE Corporation also creates and builds dynamic and effective solutions for corporate, sports, museum and entertainment organizations worldwide. For more information, please visit www.vee.com.

ABOUT TSRHC

Texas Scottish Rite Hospital for Children is one of the nation's leading pediatric centers for the treatment of orthopedic conditions, certain related neurological disorders and learning disorders, such as dyslexia. There is no charge to patient families for treatment at the hospital, and admission is open to Texas children from birth to 18 years of age. For more information, to volunteer or to make a donation, please call (214) 559-5000 or (800) 421-1121 or visit www.tsrhc.org.

ABOUT COTTON PATCH CAFÉ, INC.

Cotton Patch Cafe is a 29-unit restaurant chain headquartered in Irving, Texas with locations in Texas and New Mexico. The chain has been in business since 1989. For more information, visit www.cottonpatch.com.