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THE CHATTANOOGAN CELEBRATES VALENTINE'S DAY WITH ROMANTIC PACKAGE AND DINNER FOR SWEETHEARTS

CHATTANOOGA, Tenn. (January 12, 2009) -- The Chattanooga, Tennessee's Urban Resort, celebrates the most romantic holiday of the year with an overnight package and an intimate gourmet dinner with champagne. **The Chattanooga's Valentine's Day Package** includes deluxe overnight accommodations; romantic dinner for two; unlimited use of the hotel's health and recreation facilities; and service charges. The package price starts at \$239 per couple.

Additional romantic offerings that are available separately include chocolate-covered strawberries, bottle of wine or champagne in the room upon arrival and fresh flowers. Couples who are seeking the ultimate in relaxation on the special holiday now have a new option at The Chattanooga: a couple's massage given in The Chattanooga Spa's new treatment room designed for two.

For more information or reservations, call (423) 756-3400, toll free (877) 756-1684, or visit The Chattanooga's Website at www.chattanooga.com.

On Valentine's Day, Executive Chef Matt Pinner and his talented culinary team will serve sweethearts a delectable Valentine's Day Dinner in the hotel's Broad Street Grille. The meal begins with a wonderful Fresh Goat Cheese Tart accompanied by Arugula and Spinach Salad, Bruleed Pears and Peppered Balsamic Vinaigrette. Passion Fruit Sorbet follows the appetizer. Guests will then enjoy the mouthwatering entrée, Grilled Beef Filet with Butter Poached Lobster Risotto, Cabernet Reduction and Seared Diver Scallop and Oyster Chowder Sauce. To conclude the delicious meal, a sumptuous Dark Chocolate Grand Marnier Fondue for Two with house-made Marshmallows, Strawberries, Almond Biscotti, Baby Bananas, Golden Pineapple and Graham Crackers will be served.

Guests who would like to have dinner only at Broad Street Grille may enjoy the prix fixe dinner for \$90 per couple. The restaurant's a la carte menu is also available on Valentine's Day.

Although Chattanooga is often known as a family destination, the offerings at The Chattanooga are geared to adults. The upscale, modern hotel features high-end amenities and service that please the most discriminating guests.

The Chattanooga Spa offers relaxing spa treatments, such as facials, massages and nail services. Five treatment rooms, including a new couple's retreat, steam room, indoor pool, whirlpool, sauna, fitness center and outdoor patio overlooking the hotel's courtyard are featured in the spa.

The hotel's three outstanding dining establishments, Broad Street Grille, The Foundry, and Strouds, have some of the finest cuisine in the region. Broad Street Grille, the hotel's upscale, cosmopolitan restaurant, features contemporary, eclectic cuisine. The Foundry upscale bistro and lounge offers a delicious array of appetizers, salads, sandwiches, and light entrées, and has a full bar with top-of-the-line liquors, a comprehensive martini selection and specialty drink menu. Music lovers may enjoy live jazz on a regular basis there. Strouds, The Chattanooga's sidewalk espresso café, features made-to-order sandwiches and salads, daily homemade soups, freshly baked pastries and desserts, and a variety of unique gourmet coffees and teas.

The AAA Four Diamond-rated The Chattanooga, a 210,000 square-foot five-story upscale urban resort with 198 guest rooms and suites, also has a 25,000 square-foot conference center with comprehensive meeting planning and audiovisual support services. The property is conveniently located within a two-hour drive from Atlanta; Nashville, Tenn.; Knoxville, Tenn.; Huntsville, Ala.; and Birmingham, Ala. It is within walking distance of the city's museums, galleries, retail stores, restaurants and The Tennessee Aquarium.

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