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Thrills with Paul Maurer Shows

Placerville, CA (May 5, 2016) – El Dorado County Fair is excited to present a new Carnival to Fairgoers this year. Known for their unique, brightly-painted rides with their sparkling lights, Paul Maurer Shows will be offering thrills and chills at this year's Cowboys & Carousels Fair, June 16 thru Father's Day June 19 at El Dorado County Fair & Event Center in Placerville.

Paul Maurer Shows is highly respected in the fair industry, bringing state of the art, safe rides to fairs throughout the western states. Paul started out in 1971 as a solo game operator, working fairs all over the United States, becoming one of the largest game concessionaire/operators in California. In 1984, Paul took a huge step, and purchased his first amusement ride and hasn't looked back since. Today, his carnival show includes over 35 amusement rides, fun games and cotton candy/food concessions.

When it comes to carnivals, safety is first and foremost. "When Paul Maurer Shows submitted their proposal for our carnival this year we were thrilled" stated Jody Gray, CEO. "Our RFP (request for proposal) includes several sections; the largest portion of scoring is based on safety practices and history. Paul Maurer Shows has exemplary safety history and incredible references, both from other fairs as well as fairgoers." The rides undergo daily examinations, by Paul Maurer Shows as well as state agencies.

Paul Maurer Shows brings to the Fair great pre-sale pricing packages. For those that just can't get enough of carnival rides, the Golden Ticket wristband can be purchased pre-sale for \$70, and that gives the lucky buyer UNLIMITED rides all four days of fair. (Admission is separate). Single Day ride wristbands are only \$20 pre-sale, or \$30 if you purchase the day you attend the fair. Teen Day, Friday June 17th, the fair opens at Noon, and teens get in free until 4:00, as well as get a \$5.00 discount off wristbands purchased that day during those hours.

What can thrill-seekers expect this year? The Rock Star will elevate riders 55 feet up in the air on top of a flying platform. The riders experience a unique free-fall experience as the platform whisks towards the ground. The Rock Star is complete with a spectacular LED light show. Grab a seat with 11 other lucky passengers on the Super Shot.... Glide 90 feet up into the air and then whoosh! Straight to the bottom! Fair attendees will have plenty to choose from, at least 30 rides, including plenty of 'Kiddie' rides.

Fair Fun Savings

Pre-sale tickets for El Dorado County Fair, June 16th thru Father's Day, June 19th are on sale now, and will be available until June 15th at 11:59 pm (online) or until 6 pm (at the Green Gate entrance to the Fair).

Buying pre-sale tickets is just one of many ways to save at the Fair. General admission (13 & over) is only \$8—a \$2 savings over day of purchase, and Junior (7-12 yrs) and Seniors (60 & over) are \$6 during pre-sale.

For those that can't get enough of the rides, we have a new pre-sale ONLY wristband—the Golden Ticket 4-Day carnival ride wristband can be purchased for \$70, and with purchase of the Golden Ticket wristband, each fairgoer receives a 32oz drink in a souvenir glass that may be refilled unlimited times for \$2 per refill. (Ticket is non-transferable, and may be used by wristband owner only). If one day of rides is enough, one pre-sale all-day ride wristband is \$20, during fair \$30.

And in honor of Dads, we have a special pre-fair Father's Day package—valid on Father's Day, Sunday, June 19th. For \$35 you get the coveted Father's Day t-shirt, one general admission ticket, one youth admission ticket and one unlimited ride wristband. Fathers (or Mothers) wearing this year's Father's Day t-shirt get in FREE on Sunday (a \$77 value!)

Pre-sale tickets may be purchased at eldoradocountyfair.org/tickets.html. The website will accept pre-sale purchases until one second before midnight on June 15th. You may also visit the fair office, located inside the 'Green Gate' (Placerville Drive) entrance, Monday-Friday from 9am-4pm, or the Green Gate ticket office beginning Thursday, June 9th, from 10am-6pm.

Whether you purchase pre-sale or at the gate, be sure to visit us at the El Dorado County Fair, June 16th thru Father's Day June 19th at El Dorado County Fair & Event Center in Placerville.

Calendar:

Who/What:	El Dorado County Fair, "Cowboys & Carousels"
When:	Thursday, June 16 – Father's Day, Sunday June 19
Where:	El Dorado County Fair & Event Center, 100 Placerville Drive, Placerville, CA
Tickets:	Pre-sale: \$8-Regular, \$6 Junior & Senior; During the Fair: \$10-Regular, \$7 Junior & Senior. Attendees with active duty military ID get in FREE. Parking \$6 per car or take the free shuttle. (Check our website for details.)