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GOOD MORNING AMERICA'S SAM CHAMPION JOINS BERT KREISCHER, HOST OF BERT THE CONQUEROR, AT GLENWOOD CAVERNS ADVENTURE PARK

As part of Good Morning America's Reality Week, meteorologist Sam Champion rode the Giant Canyon Swing at Glenwood Caverns Adventure Park with Bert Kreischer, host of the Travel Channel's hit series, Bert the Conqueror.

GLENWOOD SPRINGS, Colo. (May 25, 2011) — The stars collided at Glenwood Caverns Adventure Park in Glenwood Springs, Colorado, last week as “Good Morning America” meteorologist Sam Champion and Bert Kreischer, host of the Travel Channel’s hit series “Bert the Conqueror,” rode the Giant Canyon Swing together. Champion joined Kreischer at the Adventure Park as part of Reality Week on “Good Morning America.”

“To say that this has been an exciting week is really an understatement,” said Steve Beckley, who owns Glenwood Caverns Adventure Park with his wife Jeanne. “Having Bert and Sam here together, with the national and international exposure that this provides Glenwood Caverns and Glenwood Springs, is truly incredible. This is a great way to kick off our summer season.”



Champion and Kreischer’s ride on the Giant Canyon Swing will air on “Good Morning America” on Thursday, May 26.

The “Bert the Conqueror” episode featuring Glenwood Caverns Adventure Park is scheduled to air at 6 p.m. MST on Sunday, July 10. Kreischer also filmed an episode of his online show, Bert’s Inner Child, which will be available at www.TravelChannel.com soon.

To add to Steve’s excitement, he rode the Giant Canyon Swing—for the first time ever—with Bert Kreischer, on camera.

“I’m a huge fan of extreme rides, as long as I’m not the one riding them,” joked Steve. “I said I’d never ride the Giant Canyon Swing, but when Bert asked, I agreed to give it a try.”

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This popular adventure vacation destination, located on top of Iron Mountain at an elevation of 7,100 feet, is celebrating the grand opening of its new Bungee Jump—the only one in Colorado—during the Memorial Day weekend. A new 625-foot Soaring Eagle Zip Ride will open this week as well. Both of these new attractions launch from a bungee tower that's perched on the mountainside and provides riders and jumpers with birds' eye views of the Roaring Fork Valley.

The Adventure Park also offers guided tours of Glenwood Caverns and Historic Fairy Caves, the longest Alpine Coaster and the only 4D Motion Theater in the state, tram rides, bungee trampolines, a laser tag arena, a giant maze, a mechanical bull, gemstone sluice box mining and geode cutting, a climbing wall, an electronic shooting gallery and old-time photographs. Two mountain-top restaurants offer guests the chance to enjoy a meal, a quick snack, or a cold drink, while enjoying a day at the park.

The park will be open 9 a.m. – 9 p.m. daily all summer. On May 27, the park will host a Summer Kick-Off Party and “Can for a Tram” Music on the Mountain concert to benefit the LIFT-UP food pantry, featuring live music by The Missing Link Band. For more information, visit www.GlenwoodCaverns.com or call 970-945-4228, ext. 0.

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About Glenwood Caverns Adventure Park

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Located in scenic Glenwood Springs, Colo., midway between Aspen and Vail, Glenwood Caverns Adventure Park offers a one-of-a-kind mountain-top adventure for families and outdoor enthusiasts. The Adventure Park features a gondola ride, tours of Glenwood Caverns & Historic Fairy Caves, dining, and attractions including an alpine coaster, 4-dimensional theater, laser tag, giant swing, a climbing wall, gemstone sluice box mining, simulated Conestoga wagon experience, bungee trampolines and, new in 2011, a bungee jump and zip ride. Ideal setting for groups and birthday parties. For the most up-to-the-minute news, follow us on Twitter, www.Twitter.com/GlenwoodCaverns, become a fan on Facebook, www.Facebook.com/GlenwoodCaverns or read the blog, www.glenwoodcaverns.com/blog. Go to www.glenwoodcaverns.com for more information, to sign up for our enewsletter, or to request a brochure.