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**STEWART ENTERPRISES, INC. TO PRESENT AT SIDOTI'S INVESTOR FORUM**

JEFFERSON, La.—March 13, 2012—Stewart Enterprises, Inc. (Nasdaq GS:STEI) announced today that Chief Financial Officer Lew Derbes will present at Sidoti's 16<sup>th</sup> Annual Emerging Growth Institutional Investor Forum on Monday, March 19, 2012. Stewart Enterprises' presentation is scheduled to begin at 2:40 p.m. EDT. The conference will be held at The Grand Hyatt New York, in New York, March 19-20, 2012.

Founded in 1910, Stewart Enterprises, Inc. is the second largest provider of products and services in the death care industry in the United States, currently owning and operating 217 funeral homes and 141 cemeteries. Through its subsidiaries, the Company provides a complete range of funeral and cremation merchandise and services, along with cemetery property, merchandise and services, both at the time of need and on a preneed basis.

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