



Pegasus Press

The Lexington Cancer Foundation, Inc. • lexingtoncancerfoundation.org • Summer 2023

2023 Kentucky Bluegrass Wine Auction & Derby Gala



The 17th Kentucky Bluegrass Wine Auction, held on Thursday, May 4, 2023, was a tremendous success.

150 guests experienced a rare opportunity to enjoy an evening with Master Distiller of Buffalo Trace, Harlan Wheatley and President of Old Rip Van Winkle, Julian Van Winkle III. The distinct wines of Jayson Woodbridge of Hundred Arce wines were paired with an elegant dinner at The Apiary in downtown Lexington. Fifteen-time Grammy Award winner Ricky Skaggs and Kentucky Thunder entertained guests following the live auction.

The evening featured seven live auction lots. Auction highlights included Live Lot number 7, Christmastime with Andrea Bocelli in Louisville, which brought \$185,000. The foundation, as the local presenting sponsor for Andrea Bocelli's first Kentucky performance on December 2, 2023, in Louisville, Kentucky at the Yum! Center, auctioned 10 Front Row VIP Pre-Show tickets and 10 5th Row VIP Pre-Show tickets. The lot included luxury bus transportation from Lexington to Louisville and return, with cocktails and hors d'oeuvres, premium parking, an exclusive food and wine event backstage prior to the concert featuring Bocelli Vineyard Wine, and VIP access to seating. Front Row purchasers will also experience the last 30 minutes of the rehearsal.



Amanda Gale and
Kelly Macauley of NetJets



2023 Kentucky Bluegrass Wine Auction at The Apiary



Uma Desai and Mindy Corbett

Watch for Upcoming Announcements!

*** LCF is celebrating its 20th anniversary in 2024 — an exciting series of events to be announced! ***

Grant applications for the 2024 year will be accepted through July 31, 2023.

Go to www.lexingtonfoundation.org to download the application or call 859.388.2620 for more information.

Donate to LCF and help those suffering from cancer!

LCF greatly appreciates your generous contributions to our organization and cause. Because of you, LCF is able to make a greater impact in the fight against cancer.

There is nothing more meaningful than a memorial donation made in memory of a loved one. Gifts in honor of a loved one can be a great way to show your support. LCF will send a letter to the person you indicate, suitable for the occasion, informing the individual or family that you have made a gift in his/her memory/honor.

How do I make a donation?

- Make a gift in memory of a loved one
- Make a gift in honor of a loved one
- Make a gift to the LCF Endowment
- Make a gift to Wende Bell's Garden

We have made it easy for you to make a secure credit card donation online, via Stripe, or with a personal check by mail. Please visit the LCF website for more information.

A big THANK YOU
to our sponsors!



Wine Auction & Derby Gala, continued

The featured additional six live auction lots for the evening included:

Bocelli under the Stars: Trip to Italy with attendance at Andrea Bocelli's annual open-air performance in his hometown.

Roll Your Dice for the 'Big Game': 'Big Game' experience for the first time ever at Allegiant Stadium in Las Vegas Nevada. Transportation by NetJets.

Authentic as It Gets: a thoroughbred breeding season to Authentic, courtesy of Spendthrift Farm.

Three Day Wine Country Musical Paradise: VIP three day passes to one of the most sought-after music festivals in the nation, BottleRock Napa Valley.

Keep Your Friends Close, and Your Bourbon Closer: A full barrel of Weller Full Proof bourbon, to be personally bottled. In addition, a six-bottle vertical of Weller bourbon.

Wild and Wonderful Jackson Hole: Five-night stay at the Four Season in Jackson Hole, Wyoming.



LCF Founder and President, Brenda Rice, greets Ron and Tami Bradrick's group from Tampa, Florida



Barry and Dusty Hytinen



left: Kristi Martin and Brent Rice with Eric Gustavson of Spendthrift Farm



Mott Nicol and Diane Avare

right: The Ricky Skaggs Band provided the live entertainment for the guests



Wine Auction & Derby Gala, continued



above: Acoustic guitarist Gareth Pearson; right: Brent Rice

On Friday evening, May 5, the Foundation held a private VIP dinner at the historic Iroquois Hunt Club in Lexington, Kentucky. 60 guests attended the intimate dinner featuring Jayson Woodbridge's wines and Weller signature cocktails. Mr. Brent Rice shared a rare bottle of Pappy Van Winkle with the patrons that evening, and Gareth Pearson, an acoustic guitarist from Nashville, performed for the group.



Neal Vaughan, Cathy Jacobs and Dr. Connie Jennings



top: NetJets group: Amanda Gale, Will Meyer, Maddie Thomas, and Maxx Sample
bottom: Josiah and Kathy Garlan, Michael and Laura Parks, Ron and Kristen Winchell



Jon Hamm and guest



Tami and Ron Bradrick



Jennie Garlington and Diane Lott



Thank you to the donors and sponsors who made these events possible!



top: Heather Ryan and David Dube



bottom: Heather and Harlan Wheatley