



Here is a brief overview of the latest developments of the Sweet Pea Foundation:

Bourbon Dinner and Auction is an Enormous Success!

The Sweet Pea Foundation held a Bourbon Dinner and Auction at Essence Restaurant + Bar in Elkhart, Indiana. With the help of friend Brent Miller and a charitable donation of rare bourbon from Buffalo Trace Distillery, the Foundation hosted a five-course dinner prepared by Brad Canniff and his staff at Essence.



L-R: Pete Letherman, Brad Canniff and organizer Brent Miller at the bourbon dinner and auction.

The delicious, five-course meal featured unique selections and each course was paired with a bourbon or bourbon cocktail. The delightful evening concluded with a live bourbon auction that featured 15 different and rare bourbons, including:

Blade & Bow 22 year, Van Winkle (Pappy) Special Reserve, William Larue Weller, Sazerac Rye 18 Year and others. We can't thank Brent Miller enough for organizing this wonderful charity event for the Sweet Pea Foundation.



Friends and bourbon enthusiasts listen as Pete welcomes them to the bourbon event at Essence in Elkhart, IN.

"Words can never express our gratitude for Ronald McDonald House and the generous room adopters! Thank you Sweet Pea Foundation for providing a stress-free stay during our daughter's cancer journey ♥

—The Drake/Lewis Family
Ronald McDonald House Guest

The event raised more than \$40,000 and our hope is to host another dinner and bourbon auction in the future. If you are interested in attending, feel free to email the Foundation at sweetpeafoundation@comcast.net and we will add your name to the invitation list.



Sweet Pea Kickoff Classic Golf Outing is 20 Years Strong!

As mentioned on the opening panel of this newsletter, the Sweet Pea Foundation hosted its 20th golf outing this year. The golf outing was held once again at Juday Creek Golf course in Granger, Indiana. More than 75 golfers attended the 20th anniversary event and the winning foursome was Jeff Boetticher, Pete Byrne, Chris Fereday and Thomas Fereday. We also want to mention that Chris Fereday was also the closest to the pin winner, and Jack Urbanski hit the longest drive for the event.



2023 Kickoff Classic Winners!

The weather couldn't have been more perfect for the 20th outing. Golfers gathered in the banquet room afterwards for a short presentation from Pete Letherman, to award the winners and hand out a plethora of door prizes. Many of the golfers proceeded to Wings Etc. in Mishawaka for lunch provided by food and beverage sponsors of the event.

We would like to make a special note of thanks to Transshield, who provided drinks and snacks for our



Transshield hosted a refreshment station on the 15th hole during the 20th Annual Kickoff Classic golf outing.

golfers on the 15th hole this year. I know the golfers appreciated the refreshment station!

Please save the date for next year's outing, which will be held on Friday, September 20, 2024—the eve of the Notre Dame vs. Miami of Ohio football game. You can register individually or as a foursome. We also have event, food & beverage, hole and prize sponsorships available. It is a great event to attend with friends or family and many companies use this outing as a fun team building experience.

Awards and door prizes are awarded to golfers at the end of the outing.



Suzanne's family members pose for a photo at Juday Creek golf course.

Event Sponsors:

Dec-O-Art, Inc.
Fidelity National Title
Laboe Orthodontics
Northland Corporation
Roseland Animal Hospital
Senior1Care
Transshield
The Turner Family

Hole Sponsors:

Afton Keyser
ASC Industries Inc.
Harry & Cara Anderson
Kropp Fire Protection, Inc.
The Matuch Family
Niblock Excavating, Inc.
Transshield
THK Law, LLP
Zimmy's Tavern

Food & Beverage Sponsors:

Advanced Designs Corporation
Beacon Children's Hospital
Cadet Construction
Kelly Cares Foundation
McDonald Physical Therapy
Roberts Environmental Services, LLC
Chris & Jodi Spataro
Stahl Heating & Air Conditioning, Inc.
The Williams Family

Prize Sponsors:

Bonefish Grill
Tim Gilroy
Kelly Cares Foundation
Salon Rouge
Transshield
University of Notre Dame
Wings, Etc.
Zimmy's Tavern