



*The Donald T. Fickes Foundation*  
**HAPPY NEW YEAR!**

January 16th, 2023



**A big, big thank you!**

First and foremost, we want to sincerely thank everyone that dedicated a piece of themselves to the Donald T. Fickes Foundation. It was through your generosity and support that our First Annual Donald T. Fickes Foundation Golf Tournament **raised approximately \$25,000 in proceeds.**

The event saw no shortage of love for Donald, and the tears of laughter and fond memories outshined those of sorrow. We had a ton of fun with all of you, and with a little help from Donald smiling down at us, the rain held out just long enough for everyone to finish a beautiful day of golf and make their way to the banquet.



We are so thankful for the amazing sponsorship & prizes from local businesses, family and friends. For those who couldn't make it but supported in other ways, your impact was felt and greatly appreciated.

Through this fundraiser, we connected with many of you, as this disease has touched many of our friends and families in unfortunate ways. Check out more pictures from the event here.



Though this foundation is only in its' first year, your generosity is already making an impact. Before the new year, we were fortunate spend time with our friends at the [Livengrin Foundation](#), the largest addiction treatment and rehabilitation center in the Philadelphia region. They offer a full range of detox, inpatient, outpatient and specialty services for drug, alcohol and other substance abuse dependencies- Livengrin is a non-profit organization, and regularly receives calls from potential patients who are ready to start treatment but do not have the means to do so.

Due to your generosity, On December 28 2022, **The Scholarship Fund created in Donald's memory allowed us to present a donation to Livengrin in the amount of \$20,000.**

This will help individuals with financial aid to subsidize the cost of beginning and continuing treatment, including those who completed their stay at

Livengrin and want to continue their journey in a sober home. The remaining money raised will go towards any direct inquiries from sober homes, referrals, or any individuals who need financial aid. Donald left us still fighting. It is through his memory that we will continue his fight to help save others.



familiarity and community. The interaction with the patients was truly powerful.

We had not been back to Livengrin since Donald attended back in 2011 and 2015. We were honored to speak to the patients and tell Donald's story, and how his addiction and his loss has affected our lives. Although we were nervous to speak, there was a sense of

The embrace of gratitude and kind words was incredibly touching, and further validated our cause. The shared stories of love and loss united us all as one community fighting this war together. Special Thanks to Chris Francis, CEO Livengrin Foundation, for putting together an inspirational event for The Donald T. Fickes Foundation to present the donation towards a scholarship fund in the Foundation's name.

Please [reach out](#) should you or anyone you know need help.

We wish you all a safe and happy new year!

With Sincere Gratitude,  
*Diane, Melissa & Jessica*

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