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**After a decade, the Fort Wayne Wine Opener has aged to perfection. The Indiana Chapter of the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation welcomes you to Sweetwater’s campus on Saturday, November 16, 2013 7:30-10:00 p.m. (VIP reception 6:00-7:30p.m.) for the 10th Annual Fort Wayne Wine Opener!**

 The Wine Opener is a national tasting series that benefits the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation and promises a relaxing yet lively evening for the more than 300 guests all enjoying an array of delectable local cuisine, awesome cocktails, some of Indiana’s finest micro-brews and top-notch wines.

Participants include Joseph DeCuis, Casa’s, DeBrand Chocolatier, Goeglein’s Catering, Mad Anthony’s, Club Soda, Granite City, Wick’s Pies, Blondie’s Cookies, The Olive Twist, Cheeseman Store, Honeybaked Hams, 800 Degrees, Lucktech Photobooth & more.

Beginning at 7:30 pm, the main event will host over 300 professionals between the ages of 25 to 65. VIP offers an earlier, more exclusive tasting experience from 6:00-7:30 pm as well as first access to the fabulous silent auction. A separate VIP lounge will be available for relaxation throughout the evening during the main event. VIP guests only, will enjoy live music by Kyrou’s Music Studio, go home with a goodie bag and briefly hear from an honored guest regarding the exciting FDA approval of Kalydeco, the first drug to target the cause and not just the symptoms of CF!

 Jen Milewski, Executive Director of the Indiana Chapter states this year’s time tested event coupled with the awesome new venue, is sure to sell-out! “We’re excited about this new venue for our Wine Opener. Everyone knows that Sweetwater’s new campus is a state of the art facility and we’re thrilled to have this opportunity to grow our event and its offerings at this ever growing campus.”

***The mission of the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation is to assure the development of a means to cure and control cystic fibrosis (CF) and to improve the quality of life for those with the disease.***

 Tickets are $55.00 for the main event or $125.00 for the VIP Experience and may be purchased by going online to Indiana.cff.org/ftwaynewine or by calling 1-800-622-4826.

 All proceeds from the event benefit the Indiana Chapter of the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation.

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