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LOCATION ~ The 19<sup>th</sup> Annual Finger Lakes International Wine Competition (FLIWC) was held on April 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup>, 2019 at the Holiday Inn Rochester Downtown. All proceeds from the competition benefit the children and families affected by cancer served by Camp Good Days & Special Times.

Started 19 years ago, The Finger Lakes International Wine Competition has become one of the largest wine competitions in the world to benefit a charitable organization. This year, there were over 2,800 entries from over 450 wineries from 42 states and 16 countries.

The entries were judged by a world-renowned panel of 54 judges made up of 27 women and 27 men representing distributors, educators, sommeliers, restaurateurs, winemakers, and writers. These experts came from all over the world including countries such as the United States, Argentina, Czech Republic, Hungary, and Canada.

All of the wines were presented blind to the judges' panel with only the varietal or blend identified. No indication of geography, vintage, or price point is shared, ensuring total unbiased evaluation given to each wine. The judges award them unanimous Double Gold, Gold, Silver, or Bronze medals.

\*Insert your medals won and information about your winery/vineyard here\*

The weekend was a success thanks to the many volunteers, the wonderful judges, and the key people who helped make the competition possible.

The FLIWC held in April and the following Camp Good Days Wine Auction Dinner, to be held on Saturday, November 16, 2019 at the Holiday Inn Rochester Downtown, combine to become the largest Rochester area fundraiser to benefit Camp Good Days. The Camp Good Days Wine Auction Dinner will feature only medal winning wines from the wine competition, and will be served along with a gourmet meal. Wine will also be included in the silent auction, live auction, and the build your own case area, so that guests can get a personalized experience.

For more information about the winning wines and the Camp Good Days Wine Auction Dinner, please visit the FLIWC website at [www.fliwc-cdg.com](http://www.fliwc-cdg.com).

The wines that won the “Best of Categories” are:

<b>Medal</b>	<b>Winery</b>	<b>Brand</b>	<b>Vintage</b>	<b>Website</b>	<b>State</b>	<b>Country</b>
Best Cabernet Franc	Plagido’s Winery	Cabernet Franc	2016	Plagido’swinery.com	New Jersey	United States
Best Cabernet Sauvignon	Arza TRZ Ltd	Hayotzer Auteur	2013	N/A	N/A	Israel
Best Chardonnay	Whitecliff Vineyard & Winery	Reserve Chardonnay	2017	Whitecliffwine.com	New York	United States
Best Fruit	Baldwin Vineyards	Apple Wine	NV	Baldwinvineyards.com	New York	United States
Best Ice Wine	Hazlitt 1852 Vineyards	Vidal Blanc Ice Wine	2014	Hazlitt1852.com	New York	United States
Best Merlot	Vino Panjnic, RAIMEX s.r.o.	Merlot	2017	Vinorajnic.sk	N/A	Slovakia
Best Riesling	Agrodruzstov Novy Saldorf-Modry sklep	Ryzlink rynsky	2015	Modrysklep.cz	N/A	Czech Republic
Best Sparkling	21 Brix Winery	Brutella	NV	21brix.com	New York	United States

**MORE ABOUT CAMP GOOD DAYS AND SPECIAL TIMES:**

Camp Good Days and Special Times, a 501(c)3 not-for-profit organization dedicated to improving the quality of life for children, adults and families whose lives have been touched by cancer and other life threatening challenges, was founded by Gary Mervis in 1979, following the diagnosis of his youngest daughter, Teddi, with a malignant brain tumor. What was started to provide Teddi and 62 other children with cancer (21 from Rochester, 21 from Buffalo, 21 from Syracuse) with a residential camping experience has grown to become one of the largest organizations of its kind, having served as model for other organizations and cancer treatment centers around the world. Providing residential camping programs and year-round recreational and support activities and events, Camp Good Days has served more than 48,300 campers from 22 states and 36 foreign countries.

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