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**Rochester, NY** ~ The **18<sup>th</sup> Annual Finger Lakes International Wine Competition** was held on March 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> at the Holiday Inn Rochester Downtown. All proceeds benefit the children and families served by **Camp Good Days & Special Times**.

Started 18 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 600 wineries all over the world.**

The entries were judged by a world-renowned panel of 50 judges representing distributors, educators, sommeliers, restaurateurs, winemakers, and writers. These experts came from all over the world including countries such as Argentina, Czech Republic, Canada, and Solvenia.

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

The weekend was a success thanks to the 90 volunteers, the wonderful judges, and the key people who helped make the competition possible.

The **FLIWC** held in March and the following **Camp Good Days Wine Auction Dinner**, to be held on **Saturday, November 17, 2018 at the Holiday Inn Rochester Downtown**, is the largest Rochester area fundraiser to benefit Camp Good Days. The Camp Good Days Wine Auction Dinner will feature only medal winning wines, and will be served along with a gourmet meal. Other highlights of the night will include silent and live auction items.

In total, there were 73 Double Gold, 166 gold, 923 silver, and 985 Bronze medals awarded.

\*Insert your medals won here\*

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:

Medal	Class	Winery	Brand	Vintage	Website	State	Country
Best Cabernet Franc	Cabernet Franc	Cardinal Point Winery	2014 Clay Hill Cabernet Franc	2014	<a href="https://www.cardinalpointwinery.com">https://www.cardinalpointwinery.com</a>	Virginia	United States
Best Cabernet Sauvignon	Cabernet Sauvignon	Trincherro Family Estates	Ménage à Trois Cabernet Sauvignon 2016 California	2016	<a href="http://www.tfewines.com/">http://www.tfewines.com/</a>	California	United States
Best Chardonnay	Chardonnay	Waltz Vineyards Estate Winery LLC.	Waltz Reserve Chardonnay	2015	<a href="https://www.waltzvineyards.com">https://www.waltzvineyards.com</a>	Pennsylvania	United States
Best Fruit	Blackberry	Arrowhead Wine Cellars	Blackberry	NV	<a href="https://www.arrowheadwine.com">https://www.arrowheadwine.com</a>	Pennsylvania	United States
Best Ice Wine	Icewine	Diamond Estates Wines and Spirits Ltd.	EastDell 2016 Cabernet Franc Icewine	2016	<a href="http://www.diamondestates.ca">http://www.diamondestates.ca</a>	Ontario	Canada
Best Merlot	Merlot	Viaggio Estate and Winery	2014 "The President" Merlot	2014	<a href="http://www.viaggiowinery.com">http://www.viaggiowinery.com</a>	California	United States
Best Riesling	Riesling - Semi Dry	Wagner Vineyards	Riesling Semi Dry 2016 Finger Lakes Estate Bottled	2016	<a href="https://www.wagnervineyards.com">https://www.wagnervineyards.com</a>	New York	United States
Best Sparkling	White Sparkling	Genesis Wine Group	OUTSET Sparkling Wine	NV	<a href="http://genesiswinegroup.ca/">http://genesiswinegroup.ca/</a>	Ontario	Canada
Double Gold	Catawba	21 Brix Winery	Ellatawba	NV	<a href="https://www.21brix.com">https://www.21brix.com</a>	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 Since its inception, Camp Good Days has served more than 47,000 campers from 22 states and 34 foreign countries.*

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