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CANCER PATIENTS BENEFIT FROM
CHARITABLE WINE TASTING EVENT

Every year, over 60,000 Americans die from blood cancers – the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society (LLS) leads the world in searching for cures and improving the lives of patients and their families. On Friday, May 12th, from 5 to 8 p.m. at the West Sacramento Nugget Market (2000 Town Center Plaza), Nugget's Best of the Barrel wine tasting event will raise money for the LLS's mission to eliminate these deadly diseases.

Best of the Barrel features wines from over 50 wineries along with food from Nugget's award-winning Kitchen, as well as a silent auction. Tickets cost \$30, and apart from basic expenses, the proceeds will go directly to the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society. The public is invited to come join the fight against cancer!

Lymphoma is hitting home at Nugget Markets. Earlier this year, Mitchel Ludovina, the nine-year-old son of Nugget's general merchandise division manager, was diagnosed with Burkitt's Lymphoma, Stage 3. Mitchel had surgery to remove an abdominal tumor and recently completed his fourth round of chemotherapy. In an effort to make a difference in Mitchel's life and the lives of other patients, several Nugget associates joined LLS's "Team In Training" – while preparing for a 100-mile charity bike ride around Lake Tahoe this June, they are personally raising money for cancer research.

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Best of the Barrel's silent auction will raise additional money for both the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society and the Ludovina family. But while this Best of the Barrel may have a solemn purpose, it promises to be a lot of fun!

Tickets are available at the West Sacramento Nugget, 2000 Town Center Plaza (916-375-8700), the Sacramento Nugget, 1040 Florin Road (916) 392-5589 and The Leukemia and Lymphoma Society (916-348-1793). Further, members of Nugget's Team In Training crew are individually selling tickets for Best of the Barrel.

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