

Red Wine & Blues is Saturday, July 19

Tickets still available for hospital fund-raising event

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The Quincy Valley Hospital Foundation's second annual Red, Wine and Blues event will be held July 19 at 6 p.m. at Parties on the Green at Twin Firs Turf in Quincy. The night promises a steak and salmon dinner catered by Michael's on the Lake, entertainment from blues band Becki

Sue and Her Big Rockin' Daddies and an art exhibit featuring local artists.

Tickets are \$45 if purchased before Friday, July 11 and are available at The Grape Quincy Wine Cellar, the Quincy Valley Chamber of Commerce and the Quincy Valley Medical Center. After Friday, tickets are \$55 and

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will also be available at the door.

"It is going to be a really fun night," said Michelle Wurl, executive director of the Quincy Hospital Foundation.

All of the proceeds benefit the foundation. Wurl said Parties on the Green donated their 200 acre site, with large, white tents on an expanse sod for the event. Last year's event was at White Heron Cellars. Wurl said the plan is to move the event each year to spotlight various locations throughout the Valley.

Becki Sue and Her Big Rockin' Daddies is a Seattle-based blues group with quite a following, said Wurl.

"They are pretty popular and

are a lot of fun," she said.

The Grape is covering the entertainment expenses, with DPR Fortis covering the band's lodging.

Michael's On the Lake also catered the event last year, to rave reviews, said Wurl. In addition to steak and salmon, this year's menu includes sauteed vegetables, roasted red potatoes, assorted bread, dinner salads and fruit salads.

Five different area wineries are also sponsoring the event including Cave B Estate Winery, Saint Laurent, Stemilt Creek Winery, Jones of Washington and White Heron Cellars, and will have their wines featured at the event's no-host bar. Wurl said two beers will also be available that night. The event is for 21 and older, but isn't just a "wine" event, said Wurl,

promising non-wine drinkers will have a great time too.

"It should be a relaxing evening with good food and great music," said Wurl.

The money raised at Red, Wine and Blues will go towards items on the foundation's wish list.

Wurl explained that all department heads submit items they need or want, everything from medical equipment, like bone density equipment or a centrifuge, to renovations like new paint in the long-term care physical therapy area. The list is ever-changing as grants or donations come in to pay for various items. The foundation tries to augment some of the needs of the hospital through their fund-raising efforts.

"We try to build up our coffers to fill some of those needs," she said.

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