



BOURBON BOOTS AND BBQ



Formerly the Gala on Derby Eve

Friday, May 3, 2019

6:30 p.m.

Madison County Fairgrounds



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New Name, Same Cause

Gala on Derby Eve Becomes Bourbon, Boots & BBQ

It was the Spring Thing in 2003, when it was launched by a group of Madison County women to raise funds to help build the Hospice Care Plus Compassionate Care Center.

Then it became the Run for the Roses Derby Eve Benefit.

In 2013, it transitioned again to the Gala on Derby Eve.

And now, in 2019, the social fundraising event is refashioned as Bourbon, Boots & BBQ. It takes place on Friday, May 3 at 6:30 p.m.

For all 16 years, though, the dinner-dancing-music event has raised funds for one cause: Hospice, palliative, and bereavement care provided by the non-profit Hospice Care Plus.

"The two things that have never changed are the date of the event and the cause," says Chasity Coleman, director of development at Hospice Care Plus. "It has always been a Derby Eve party, and it has always raised funds for the care we provide."

The dress code and location and even the name have all changed over the years, but organizers say it helps keep the event fresh and exciting.

"We went from somewhat casual to very formal, and from having it in private homes to more public spaces. But it has always been Madison County's biggest Derby Eve party," said



Guests Kacelia DeGregorio and Susan Robinson mingle at a recent Gala on Derby Eve, now called Bourbon, Boots & BBQ. The event takes place May 3. Reservations due by April 25.

Coleman.

The new name comes with a more relaxed dress code. Organizers say anything is appropriate: country-western attire, a Derby hat, casual Sunday dress, or anything that feels like a fun night out.

It also comes with a new perk: a private, 90-minute set by country music sensation Walker Montgomery.

"We're so excited Walker is joining us," said Coleman. "He'll mingle with us throughout the evening, then provide the live music for dancing. It's going to add a special element to the party this year."

The location is new as well. Bourbon, Boots & BBQ will be at the Madison County

Fairgrounds in the Richardson Hall building, which will be decorated in Derby and country-western style for the event.

Reservations are \$100 and include cocktails and hors d'oeuvres, a traditional BBQ meal, dessert, open bar, access to live and silent auctions, the exclusive concert, dancing, and fun perks such as the photo booth. For an additional fee, guests can participate in the popular bourbon-tasting event.

Seating is limited. To make a reservation, visit hospice-careplus.org or the event's Facebook page. They can also be made by phone at 986-1500 during regular business hours.

The deadline to reserve is April 25.

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Walker Montgomery to Attend & Perform

The annual Derby eve fundraiser has always included live music and dancing, but this year's performer is making waves.

Walker Montgomery, who created a sensation in country music circles with the October release of his first official production, is joining the Bourbon, Boots & BBQ event as a guest and performer.

The son of John Michael Montgomery and nephew of Eddie Montgomery, Walker has country-music superstardom in his genes. Now living in Nashville, the title track of his Simple Town release has garnered millions of streams on Spotify.

Montgomery and his band will join guests at the Bourbon, Boots & BBQ fundraiser, then perform a 90-minute set in front of an open dance floor.

"We think it's pretty special that our guests get to have this exclusive, small-venue access to someone who's clearly a rising star," said Chasity Coleman, director of development at Hospice Care Plus. "It's going to make this night even more magical for



Walker Montgomery will perform a 90-minute set exclusively for Bourbon, Boots & BBQ guests. all of us."

Coleman warns that the Montgomery concert has been a draw and encourages people to make their reservations as soon as possible.

"We've noticed an increase in early reservations this year. The deadline to reserve

isn't until April 25, but I'd recommend making them now. We do have limited seating and we handle reservations on a first-come, first-served basis."

To make reservations, visit hospicecareplus.org or call 859-986-1500.

HOW DOES IT HELP?

Funds raised at Bourbon, Boots & BBQ do what they've always done: help Hospice Care Plus provide care regardless of ability to pay. Here are some of the programs, care, and services this event has made possible over the past 16 years:

- The Hospice Care Plus Compassionate Care Center (inpatient hospice care)
- Inpatient Care for Homeless Patients with No Insurance
- Palliative Care
- Home Hospice Care for

- Patients with No Insurance
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- Special Wishes & Experiences
- Therapy Pet Program
- Workshops for Family Caregivers
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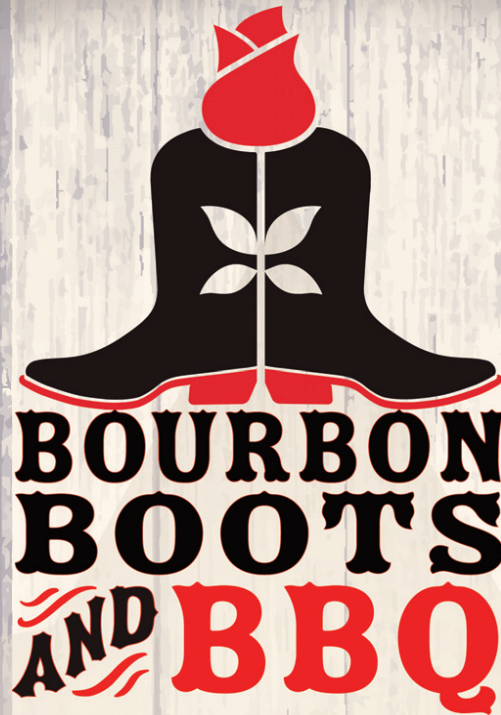


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