

WORLD SERIES MVP TO HONOR SUPER BOWL MVP AT SABESWINGS.ORG CHARITY GALA

WORLD SERIES MVP BRET SABERHAGEN AND WIFE KANDACE, CO-FOUNDERS OF SABESWINGS.ORG TO HONOR FORMER NFL PRO-BOWLER QUARTERBACK AND SUPER BOWL MVP MARK RYPIEN

PASO ROBLES, CALIFORNIA, UNITED STATES, October 11, 2023 /EINPresswire.com/ -- <u>SabesWings</u> is honored to announce that on Sunday,



October 29th, 2023, in Paso Robles, CA, the charity will celebrate the third annual 'Strike Out' event and Lifetime Achievement Award presentation. The dates of Oct 28th, 29th and 30th, 2023 will showcase three days of the beloved soiree that in two years has raised over 1.6 million

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dollars towards directly relieving the suffering and pressure of overwhelming bills felt by cancer patients nationwide.

The third annual charity fundraiser will be hosted by former professional All-Star MLB baseball pitcher, Cy Young award winner and World Series MVP, Bret Saberhagen, and his wife Kandace Saberhagen. For the third straight year the Saberhagen's will put on a celebration for a sold-out crowd. As with every year, all proceeds from the 2023 event will go directly to the Saberhagens cancer charity SabesWings, which helps cancer patients suffering from medical financial toxicity.

This year the SabesWings Lifetime Achievement Award is being presented to former NFL Probowler and Super Bowl MVP award winning quarterback, Mark Rypien for the work he has done supporting children and their families as they battle cancer. Mark and his first wife, Annette, lost their 3-year-old son, Andrew, to brain cancer in 1998.

To further his work and support in honor of his son, The Rypien Foundation was established by Mark in 2004 with the intent to provide hope and help to families who are fighting childhood

cancer. The funds the Rypien
Foundation raises directly supports
local programs that improve the quality
of care and quality of life for patients
and families fighting childhood cancer
in the Inland Northwest.

In 2013, with major financial support from The Rypien Foundation, The Children's Emergency Center at Providence Sacred Heart Medical Center and Children's Hospital in Spokane Washington underwent a massive renovation. One new addition to the center was a new hospital-based school with full-time teachers. The onsite school named after their son



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Andrew; the "Andrew Rypien School Program" has helped thousands of children and their families that are battling cancer from falling behind in school.

The 2023 festivities will once again take place in Paso Robles, CA. The public can attend by purchasing tickets online at www.SabesWings.org. The always sold-out affair embraces lively music, sports stars, celebrity chefs, extraordinary wines, and outstanding golf. At the grand gala, along with the live music, guests at the evening's dinner at Rava Wines will experience eclectic entrees from the evening's celebrity chefs. The following day the great food won't stop as pit masters from around the country will line the greens feeding the golfers at Hunter Ranch Golf Club during the golf outing.

In addition to hosts Bret Saberhagen, and Kandace Saberhagen, other VIP guests in attendance at last year's celebration included: Jim McMahon (NFL legend, The Bears!), Chili Davis (MLB All-Star), Colt Ford (Singer, songwriter, pro golfer), Michael Timlin (MLB World Series Pitcher), Scott Erickson (MLB World Series Champion), Michael Tyler (Singer, songwriter) Billy Swift (MLB Pitcher), Patrick Davis (Songwriter w/ Hootie and the Blowfish), Lauren Jenkins (Musician and songwriter), Channing Wilson (songwriter), Tim Nichols (Songwriter for Tim McGraw, Faith Hill), Sean Berry (MLB 3rd baseman), Roshni Gurnani (Chef, Winner- Food Network's Chopped) and Tully Kennedy (Bassist for Jason Aldean Band/ Producer).

"Our guests always leave having had a very memorable experience," states two-time Cy Young award winner and co-founder of SabesWings, Bret Saberhagen. "A great deal of planning goes into our events for SabesWings."

SabesWings began after Kandace Saberhagen had her own personal battle with breast cancer and the couple then realized the amount of hardship in the world created by the disease. They

collectively saw a solution to aid in providing financial support for cancer patients. The foundation SabesWings provides financial assistance to cancer patients forced to choose between paying medical bills and everyday household expenses. It gives families a chance to heal without worry.

The Central Coast community has rallied behind the Saberhagen's and SabesWings dedicated mission since its early inception. Each year the couple and foundation recognize a group or individual who is philanthropic within the cancer community. This year will see the announcement of the charity legacy for Micho Daou. The sister of Daniel and George Daou, Micho lost her battle with breast cancer in 2011. This year SabesWings will recognize four cancer warriors in our audience with the Micho Daou Award for their tenacity, perseverance, and pure determination to live. Micho lived her life with no regrets, full of zest and vitality. She never gave up. Our recipients model her persona.

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Event Weekend Activities Include:

- Saturday October 28; VIP Vineyard Ziplining (over fields of grapes) 11am 2pm
- Sunday, October 29; StrikeOut Gala Awards Dinner at Rava Wines 4-10pm
- Monday, October 30; StrikeOut Golf Outing at Hunter Ranch 8-3pm
- Monday October 30; Cal Coast Brewery Reception 6-10pm

For tickets and to learn more about the Saberhagen's event and their foundation, SabesWings, please visit: www.SabesWings.org.

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