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**Finger Lakes Wine Country**— **Save the weekend!!** The Flights of Fancy: Finger Lakes Wine Classic is returning to Keuka Lake after rave reviews of Rotary's inaugural event, and we're launching the wine tasting and sales event with a Friday night Kick-off.

Penn Yan Rotary and the Yates County Chamber of Commerce team up with the Hampton Inn in Penn Yan, NY for the second annual Flights of Fancy on **May 20, 2017**, with a Friday, **May 19th** Kickoff from 5-9pm with grilled food and drinks; no cover charge. The Hampton has agreed to be the venue and title sponsor for the event that was fun and festive on Main St. last year.

The **Friday night** Kick-off provides locals and visitors with the sounds of "Top Shelf" music, thanks to sponsor Welliver Construction, and food and drinks by Keuka catering, all under the heated tasting tent.

For those wanting to work off Friday night or prep for Saturday tasting, venture out in the environs **Saturday May 20<sup>th</sup>**. There is a planned walk on the historic 7 mile Keuka Outlet Trail from 10-12, with interpretive talks at four former mill sites by local historians (if you wish to stop and listen for part or all of the Trail.)

**Saturday afternoon** features 24 invited wineries pouring and selling Finger Lakes Appellation wines, eight food pairing vendors, four chef demonstrations and music by Artistic License. The unique tasting event will launch the Finger Lakes "high season."

"For a couple years new Rotary and the Yates County Chamber of Commerce have wanted to spearhead a high quality Finger Lakes invitational wine and culinary event to kick off the summer season," said Rotary event chair Carol Worth.

Hosted in conjunction with the Yates County Chamber of Commerce, the Saturday tasting event will run from 2pm to 7pm on the heated tented patio of the Hampton Inn on beautiful Keuka Lake.

Proceeds from the event will support Penn Yan Rotary community projects.

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