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28th ANNUAL BANDANA BALL RAISES RECORD \$630,000 FOR CHILDREN & FAMILIES

AUSTIN, TX (April 6, 2017) – There was no rain in sight when 800 guests joined Ronald McDonald House Charities of Central Texas at the 28th Annual Bandana Ball on April 1 to raise a record **\$630,000**. Proceeds from the event will support families with critically ill or injured children who rely on RMHC CTX's programs while their children are hospitalized or in treatment.

Upon arrival at the Wild Onion Ranch, guests were greeted with signature cocktails and live entertainment by Craig Elliott. During the cocktail hour, guests enjoyed an array of fun activities including photos with a Texas longhorn, winning a bottle of wine during the wine toss, getting their boots shined, capturing the evening in the photo booth and having the winning bid at the extensive silent auction. Dinner was served by 2Dine4 Catering under the tent and the presentation started with a competitive game of heads or tails to win a stocked YETI cooler. A rousing live auction with several amazing experiences including a private concert by Cory Morrow went to the highest bidder. The evening ended on a high note with dancing and entertainment by the In10City Band.

Haley and Ryan Meyer served as co-chairs. The presenting sponsor was C.C. Carlton Industries. Ltd.; Signature sponsor was Silicon Labs; Lone Star Legend sponsors were First Trust Portfolios, Central Texas McDonald's Owner/Operators and The Wild Onion Ranch.

"Once again, the Bandana Ball was an amazing event. We are so grateful to our guests that came together to support our families with critically ill or injured children," comments Carolyn Schwarz, chief executive officer of RMHC CTX. "This event comes to life every year because of our generous sponsors, hardworking committee and hundreds of volunteers. Long after Bandana Ball is over, the impact of everyone's kindness will continue to support all the families who rely on our programs."

All Bandana Ball photos can be viewed [here](#).



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