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## CASA of the Tenth Judicial Circuit Announces New Event: Sip, Savor, Smoke

March 2019—The 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Sip, Savor, Smoke, hosted by CASA of the Tenth Judicial Circuit, is scheduled for Thursday, May 16, 2019 at 5:30 p.m. at the Trailside Event Center in Peoria Heights. This new event features whiskey, food, and cigars! *Sip* whiskey samples while you *Savor* tastings from Chef Dustin Allen (Edge), Chef Jeff Madden (Kemp 208), Chef Andrea Widley (Creve Coeur Club), and Hugh Higgins (Hearth). Mingle with others while you *Smoke* a hand-rolled cigar from STL cigars. Enjoy music in the Vintage Peoria atmosphere, all while supporting CASA of the Tenth Judicial Circuit!

"We are excited that we have a bottle of Pappy Van Winkle's 15-Year Family Reserve to raffle off," said Pam Perrilles, CASA's Executive Director. "Only those in attendance can buy a raffle ticket so you'll want to be there."

Various sponsorship opportunities are currently available. Beginning Monday, March 4<sup>th</sup>, individual tickets or tables of 10 can be purchased at <u>https://www.firstgiving.com/event/casapeoria/Sip-Savor-Smoke-2019</u> or by contacting the CASA office at 309-669-2939. Proceeds from Sip, Savor, Smoke will help CASA expand advocacy for abused and neglected children in Peoria, Tazewell, Marshall, Putnam, and Stark Counties.

Sip, Savor, Smoke is made possible by the generosity of Commerce Bank, Demonica Kemper Architects, Daily Laboratories & Mobilab, Inc., CEFCU, Spoon River Home Health, Harrmann Designs, Barrack's Hospitality Group, Gentlemen's Cigar Society of Central Illinois, UFS, 2Chez, Edge, Kemp 208, Creve Coeur Club, and Hearth.

To give a child a CASA volunteer is to give them a voice. To give them a voice is to give them hope, and to give them hope is to give them the world.

For more info see: <u>www.CASAPeoria.org</u> <u>www.facebook.com/CASAPeoriaCounty</u>



About CASA of the Tenth Judicial Circuit (<u>www.casapeoria.org</u>)

Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) of the Tenth Judicial Circuit, FKA CASA of Peoria County, is a 501(c)3 non-profit, volunteer organization that advocates for the best interests of abused and neglected children within the Juvenile Abuse and Neglect Court system. Its existence is based on the belief that every child has the right to a safe and permanent home allowing them the chance to reach their full potential in life. The organization has been serving abused and neglected children since 2005. CASA is supported by Heart of Illinois United Way, Caterpillar Foundation, Community Foundation of Central Illinois, Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority with VOCA funds, and generous donors.