Take a Trip to the Tropics

Affiliated with the <u>New England Region</u> of the Huntington's Disease Society of America (HDSA)

<u>WHAT</u>

Take a Trip to the Tropics is a fundraising event that will include wearing tropical t-shirts, silent auctions, raffles and more. The event is held each year in honor of Meghan Sullivan who passed away three years ago due to Juvenile huntingtin's disease.

<u>WHO</u>

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<u>WHEN</u> Saturday May 11th @ 6:00 PM-10:00 PM (EST)

WHERE Brigham Hall, Chelmsford Senior Center 75 Groton Road North Chelmsford, Massachusetts 01863

EVENT INFO

Ticket: \$25 per person includes pizza, finger sandwiches, and desserts Cash Bar opens at 6:00 PM <u>Michael Bernier</u> will be performing Donations can be mailed to Dave Sousa, For the Benefit of HDSA (6 Stevens Street. Chelmsford, Massachusetts 01824)

Huntington's disease is a fatal genetic disorder that causes the progressive breakdown of nerve cells in the brain. It deteriorates a person's physical and mental abilities during their prime working years and has no cure. Each child of a parent with HD has a 50/50 chance of inheriting the faulty gene that causes Huntington's disease.

Today, there are approximately 30,000 symptomatic Americans and more than 200,000 at-risk of inheriting the disease. The symptoms of Huntington's disease are described as having ALS, Parkinson's and Alzheimer's – *simultaneously*.

The Huntington's Disease Society of America is the premier nonprofit organization dedicated to improving the lives of everyone affected by HD. From community services and education to advocacy and research, HDSA is the world's leader in providing help for today and hope for tomorrow for people with HD and their families.

To learn more about Huntington's disease and the work of the Huntington's Disease Society of America, visit www.HDSA.org or call 1(800)345-HDSA.