YOU ARE INVITED TO JOIN US FOR:

The Ele’s Place Ann Arbor 2021 Derby Day Soirée @ Your Place
– featuring the 147th Kentucky Derby LIVE –
Saturday, May 1st from 6:00–7:30pm (ET)

Whether you’ll be “@ Your Place” OR you’ll be “@ A Friend’s House,” the Derby Day Soirée @ Your Place virtual experience is a great opportunity to have fun with family, friends and neighbors (while STILL social distancing, of course)! This one-of-a-kind fundraising experience supports Ele’s Place Ann Arbor’s compassionate, NO FEE, peer grief programs for children, teens and their families!

SO many FRIENDS of Ele’s Place Ann Arbor will be featured during this year’s virtual experience! THANK YOU to all of these wonderful humans for contributing to the Derby production:

Bree Arvai, Hannah Blevins, Stacey Bodner, Hannah Brown, Kate Brummett, Lindsay Clark, Chuck Colby, Rick Eder, Cindy Elliott, LaSonia Forté, Michael Fox, Peggy Galimberti, Al Gileczek, Marilyn Gileczek, Mike Halpern, Beth Jakubik, Hallie Jewell, Marissa Keep, Kris Korns, Randy Kessler, Diane Kieliszewski, Tiffany Porter, Shirley Randall, Tom Randall, Donna Roberts, Alexa Schrock, Lori Thomas, Tracy Wraight, as well as our large group of “walking extras!”

Register for our event AND see them in action on May 1st!

~ How to Host a Watch Party in 4 EASY Steps ~

STEP #1: REGISTER NOW for VIRTUAL ACCESS to EVENT @ NO CHARGE

By registering you will be: 1) provided with a link to access to the Derby Day Soirée @ Your Place and the 147th Kentucky Derby on Saturday, May 1st beginning at 6:00pm; and, 2)
assigned a bid number for early access to the Ele’s Place Ann Arbor silent auction beginning on Monday, April 26th, as well as the LIVE auction and “Paddle Raise” during the event.

**Please note:** You will need to enter your credit card information when registering, but NO charges will be incurred unless you purchase an auction item or make a donation to Ele’s Place Ann Arbor during the event.

We encourage you to forward the registration link (https://elesplace.cbo.io) to all your guests so they too can register and be “in the know” with regards to the latest information about Derby Day Soirée @ Your Place leading up to the event.

**STEP #2:** Pre-Order Your Derby Day Soirée WATCH PARTY MEAL for a group of 5 or 10 – Courtesy of Katherine’s Catering

The 2021 Derby Day Soirée @ Your Place “Watch Party MENU” includes:

- **Country Ham Biscuits** pickled peach chutney, wild turkey butter **NF**
- **Mint Julep Chicken Skewers** Benedictine cucumber chive dip **NF**
- **Sugar Snap Pea and Orzo Salad** lemon mint dressing **V, DF, NF**
- **Southern Pimento Cheese Spread** assorted crackers, celery **V, NF**
- **Apple Bourbon Meatballs** pork, beef, sweet spicy barbecue sauce **NF**
- **Lamb Skewers** lemon zest, spice rub **GF, DF, NF**
- **Mini Crab Cakes** remoulade sauce **GF, DF, NF**
- **Chocolate Bourbon Balls** confectioners’ sugar, pecans **V**
- **Strawberry Meringue Roses** **NF**

Pre-Order from Katherine’s Catering by Friday, April 23, 2021, for curbside pick-up Friday, April 30, 2021.

**DOWNLOAD MENU & ORDERING INSTRUCTIONS!**

**STEP #3:** Pre-Order Your Red Hearted Julep and Pink Hearted Pony Cocktails – Courtesy of Ann Arbor Distilling Company

The 2021 Derby Day Soirée @ Your Place Derby “Cocktail MENU” includes:

- **Red Hearted Julep Canned Cocktails** (4-pack/8 cocktails) - A2DC’s Fox River Bourbon and Water Hill Raspberry Liqueur, Orange Juice and Ginger Mint Syrup
Pink Hearted Pony Canned Cocktails (4-pack/8 cocktails) - A2DC’s Hawthorne Vodka and Water Hill Cranberry Liqueur, with Blood Orange and Lemon Juices and Simple Syrup

Red Hearted Julep & Pink Hearted Pony Mixed Canned Cocktails (4-pack/8 cocktails)

Mint Julep Drink Kit (Each cocktail kit makes 10 Mint Juleps)

Pre-order from Ann Arbor Distilling Company by Wednesday, April 28th for pick-up on Thursday, April 29th or Friday, April 30th between 4:00 - 10:00 pm.

ORDER A2DC COCKTAILS ONLINE!

Please note: Ann Arbor Distilling Company is donating a portion of the proceeds from the sale of ALL Derby cocktail items directly to Ele’s Place Ann Arbor.

STEP #4: GET READY to HOST YOUR Derby Day Soirée @ Your Place PARTY

Once you and your guests are registered, it’s time to make plans to host a fun Watch Party!

No one does it better than the Party Planners at Churchill Downs! Below find amazing links for everything from what food and beverages to serve, how to decorate, what to wear and wager games to play in order to host a one of a kind Watch Party:

Cocktails, Recipes & More... Explore Derby Party Dishes, Cocktail Recipes, and Party Ideas
Derby At-Home Kit... DIY Crafts, Kid’s Activities, Betting Games and More
Derby Fashion Ideas Hats, Men’s and Women’s attire
Derby Fashion through the Decades...
Fun Wager Games to Play at Your Watch Party
History and Traditions of the Kentucky Derby

REGISTER NOW and let the party planning begin TODAY to host YOUR best Derby Day Soirée @ Your Place WATCH PARTY on May 1st!

PS...Technology tips will be emailed directly to all registered guests!

Questions about Derby Day Soirée @ Your Place? Please contact: Stacey Bodner, Events Coordinator (734) 929-6640, ext. 2211 sbodner1@elesplace.org

All proceeds from this event benefit the grieving children, teens and families we serve at Ele’s Place Ann Arbor.

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