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**Kitchen Kapers donates \$80,000 to OhioHealth,
Announces 2016 Tour Dates**
Donation aims to improve the lives of those living with cancer

COLUMBUS – Kitchen Kapers, a community volunteer organization committed to raising funds for cancer services at OhioHealth Riverside Methodist Hospital, today announced the donation of \$80,000 to the OhioHealth Foundation. The donation is the result of the charitable group's 2015 fundraising efforts associated with the annual Kitchen Kapers Tour. Since its inception in 1987, Kitchen Kapers has contributed over \$700,000 to the hospital.

"It is an honor to be able to contribute these funds to cancer services at the OhioHealth Arthur G. H. Bing, MD, Cancer Center, an exceptional treatment facility that directly serves our community," said Ashley Dudley, president of Kitchen Kapers 2016. "Kitchen Kapers is an organization dedicated to improving the lives of those in the midst of a cancer diagnosis, and we are proud to contribute towards that mission again this year."

The proceeds will support the Artist in Residence program at the Big Cancer Center. Recognized by the National Endowment for the Arts as a "Best Practice," the program brings artistry to the bedside of cancer patients to enhance healing and improve quality of life. For many facing the challenges of living with cancer, the creative outlets, such as music, poetry and painting provide a welcome respite from their day-to-day routines.

Kitchen Kapers Announces 2016 Tour Dates

The organization raises funds through the annual Kitchen Kapers Tour of newly remodeled gourmet kitchens in the Upper Arlington community. This year, the Kitchen Kapers Tour will take place on **Sunday, September 11 from 12 – 5 p.m.**

Tickets are available for \$25 and can be purchased [online](#) through September 2, or at Upper Arlington community retail partners through September 10. Day-of ticket prices increase to \$30. For more information on tickets and retail partners, please visit kitchenkapers.org/purchase_tickets.

"We would love for you to join us for our 29th Anniversary tour – whether you are looking for renovation inspiration or simply want to enjoy the beautiful architecture and delicious dining samples, this year is sure to be an awesome community event full of fun for a great cause!" added Dudley.

About Kitchen Kapers

Kitchen Kapers is a women's auxiliary of Riverside Methodist Hospital, dating back to 1987. The organization's mission is to improve the lives of those living with cancer and is dedicated to raising funds for Cancer Services at OhioHealth Riverside Methodist Hospital. For more information about Kitchen Kapers or to make a donation, please visit www.kitchenkapers.org