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LGH Foundation and Bâton Rouge DDO team up once again

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Themed 'A Touch of Comedy', this year's event will be emceed by LGH psychiatrist Dr. Fiore Lalla.

You'll need to bring your funny bone to this year's annual fundraiser for the Lakeshore General Hospital Foundation.

Hosted in partnership with the Bâton Rouge Steakhouse & Bar in Dollard-des-Ormeaux, the popular event — this year themed *A Touch of Comedy* — will take place on Monday, March 21.

"The comedy will be short and sweet and I'm going to be personally roasting some people alive," said Dr. Fiore Lalla, psychiatrist at the LGH and emcee for the evening. "They'll smell it all the way to Pierrefonds."

However, Lalla said that there is more to the evening than just the comedy. "People love to network and mingle so much at this event," he said.

"Our Bâton Rouge event features exquisite sweet and savoury tastings, an open bar, a gourmet four-course meal, an amazing silent auction, a raffle featuring a prize from a local upscale jewellery store and many more surprises," added event coordinator Anne-Marie Milard.

A humanitarian award will also be presented to an individual who goes above and beyond in their community work pertaining to the LGH.

Funds raised this year will be going towards the hospital's intensive care unit.

"We will be able to go from 11 to 15 beds," said Milard. "These four extra beds will allow space for an additional 270 patients per year, which will also alleviate the ER."

"We have a world class intensive care unit," said Lalla. "The doctors, the nurses and the support staff are wonderful!"

The annual fundraiser, which welcomes approximately 200 people, sells out quickly. Tickets are \$150 per person and can be purchased by calling Anne-Marie Milard at 514-630-2081 or by visiting www.lakeshorefoundation.ca