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Welcome to Independent Perspective, a public affairs presentation of Western New York Independent Living (WNYIL). Our guest today is Doug Bisher, Addict 2 Addict (A2A) Niagara peer specialist, and I'm your host Ernie Churchwell. Welcome to the program, Doug.

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Thanks for having me, Ernie.

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It's our pleasure, you're here because you've got the entire lowdown on a big event for Independent Living of Niagara County (ILNC) that's coming up in the very near future.

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Cornhole for a Cause. I'm willing to bet that there's probably some people listening that are not familiar with what a corn hole tournament is. If you could give us the synopsis, please.

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Yeah, I'll be happy to so, it's essentially a backyard game that anyone can play, and anyone can win.

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It's two sets of or two boards, one on each end, 27 feet away from each other, 4 feet long and two feet wide.

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Each player gets 4 bags, about 15 to 16 oz. corn hole bags. They get to throw alternating one bag at a time. It's a team of two. They get paired randomly when the round robin and they played at 21 to win the match. It's just a lot of camaraderie and a lot of fun, and really anyone can play. Anyone can win.

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And when you refer to the corn hole bag, it's essentially like a bean bag of sorts, isn't it?

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Yeah, with some resin, some resin beads in it.

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Terrific. But there's a reason for having this besides just the fun of it. You're raising money for programs that ILNC and A2A, correct.

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That's correct.

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But the corn hole tournament is not the only part of it. I think there's some other fun family activities that occur there. And could you tell us what some of those other activities are?

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Yeah, we got a lot of things going taking place that day. Like you said, primarily there's a corn hole tournament going on and you don't need a partner to come and play in that tournament either. They can register at the door; we can help people register through the app called Scoreholio, it's a free app for people to download.

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Also, we're going to have amazing basket raffles. We're going to have a live auction for a Dion Dawkins signed football, which is really, really cool. A lot of Buffalo Bills fans out here in Western New York and also a Rasmus Dahlin, who is from the Buffalo Sabres, there's a signed puck.

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And a live auction as well. And it's the corn hole tournament itself. There's going to be other basket raffles as well. And donations coming from community partners in different restaurants and agencies out here that are making donations. And anyone can make a donation. So, if someone's here in this and they like to make baskets to donate.

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They can definitely get in contact with ILNC. We welcome many donations as well.

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And it's a tax write off for them as well.

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They can't beat that with a stick, and we should probably mention to people that if they want an easy way to RSVP for the event, there's a URL for Scoreholio that's on our press release.

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So, if they can get a hold of one of those, either directly from the agency or from some media site that decides to cover our entire.

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press release then that's a really easy way to connect with the event. Could you remind us of the day, time and place of?

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Absolutely.

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Absolutely. And like you said, they can find us on social medias on, on our WNYIL website as well which is WNYIL.org.

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And the location is going to be at 140 Genesee St. in Lockport, NY. That's at Christ Community Church. It's going to be an indoor event, so the weather won't even affect it. Hopefully it's nice weather still in September, but it's going to be an indoor event. We're going to have food served in the kitchen as well, refreshments and it's September 28th. It's a Saturday registration.

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The event is going to start at 11:00 a.m. so people can start showing up at 11:00.

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The Corn Hole Tournament itself will start at noon and it's a \$20 entry fee. There'll be a 50/50 as well and some music. It's going to be a lot of fun and fellowshiping, a lot of resource sharing as well. So even if people just want to stop in and not play corn hole, they can always stop by and just say hello and they can find it on our Facebook page as well. And there is a QR code in there and a link as well for people to sign up. Or they could just show up and we can help them at the door.

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Doug, we're totally out of time. I'm sure people will have questions, how can they reach you?

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They can reach us at our Addict 2 Addict Niagara Facebook page, or they can call Addict 2 Addict directly at 716-398-4333, 24 hours a day.

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Thanks for being with us.

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Thank you, Ernie.

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