

## A CHANCE TO HELP OTHERS

A highly entertaining and informative evening exploring wine varieties will take place at Culloden House Hotel, near Inverness, on Friday, October 22.

Organised as a fundraiser for children's cancer charity Clic Sargent, guests arriving at the striking hotel will be welcomed with canapes, wine and music from pupils of Culloden Academy, before entering the Adam lounge where they will be served three different wines in a session based on the old Call My Bluff television show. The wines are provided by Inverarity Vaults, which hosts the session, with two experts giving very plausible accounts of the wines.

Further canapes, wine and a chance to win some fabulous raffle prizes will follow. Peter Logie, Clic Sargent's

fundraiser for the Highlands and Islands, said: "Staff at Holiday Inn Express have helped organise this event as part of their ongoing fundraising for Clic Sargent and with their involvement and what we have planned I can guarantee guests a relaxing, informative and fun-filled evening in this magnificent venue.

"With Culloden House ensuring all costs are covered, all money raised in the evening will be used to fund our work supporting children and young people with cancer and their families in Inverness and the Highlands."

■ **Tickets, priced £15, are available from Clic Sargent at the Volunteering Centre, Millburn Road, Inverness, or by calling 01463 713080 or 790461.**

## ALL SHOOK UP

Ever since Sex and the City hit the small and big screens, cocktails have been seen as a must-have item at any girly gathering.

While it's fun to watch experienced mixologists work their magic behind the bar, trying to recreate the cocktails at home can be tricky as not everyone wants to buy the myriad ingredients required for some cocktails.

A simple solution could be to try a Funkin cocktail mixer.

Made from 100% natural grown fruit, the sachets of mixers can create a cocktail in seconds following four simple steps: Get a glass of ice, add the spirit of your choice, add the mixer sachet, stir in the glass or shake in a shaker of ice then pour.

The latest flavours to be launched are margarita, a beautifully-balanced blend of Sicilian lemons, Mexican limes and natural cane sugar, and strawberry daiquiri, the

favourite cocktail of Ernest Hemingway and JFK.

■ **Sachets, with a recommended retail price of 99p, are available from supermarkets including Tesco and Asda or can be bought in packs of eight or 32 online from [www.funkin.co.uk](http://www.funkin.co.uk)**

