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**Fifth Annual PJs and Eggs Event Benefits Nationwide Children's Hospital
*Ohio's egg farmers partner with local restaurants to offer breakfast for dinner***

COLUMBUS, Ohio (November 14, 2016) – For the fifth year, 10 Columbus, Ohio restaurants, that are usually only open for breakfast and lunch, recently re-opened their doors from 5 p.m. to close to serve breakfast for dinner - starring the incredible edible egg - and one worthy cause: PJs and Eggs.

Guests of all ages participated in the event, donning their favorite family-friendly pajamas. This year's event raised more than \$1,250 in monetary donations and 1,300 pairs of pajamas. To date, PJs and Eggs has raised more than \$6,090 in monetary contributions for Nationwide Children's Hospital and donated more than 5,530 pajamas.

"PJs and Eggs is a great event for the entire family, but it's also a chance to support patients at Nationwide Children's Hospital," said Jim Chakeres, executive vice president of the Ohio Poultry Association. "Each year the event continues to grow and it showcases just how supportive the community is. It's also a great opportunity to partner with some of central Ohio's favorite restaurants and egg farmers to celebrate breakfast for dinner."

The fifth annual event was sponsored by Ohio's egg farmers. At each restaurant there were egg farmers to answer guests' questions about egg farming and to discuss the role eggs play in a healthy diet.

"Many families are generations removed from the farm and have questions about where their food comes from," said Chakeres. "PJs and Eggs is a fun annual event that connects consumers with Ohio farmers. These are the farmers who produce high-quality, nutrient-rich eggs that Ohioans serve their families for breakfast every morning, while also a chance to give back to an important cause."

Ten central Ohio restaurants participated in PJs and Eggs this year, including: six Sunny Street Café Columbus locations, Beechwold Diner, Gena's Restaurant, Café Creekside and Lilly's Kitchen Table.

Ohio ranks second in the nation for egg production. Ohio's egg farmers produce more than 9 billion eggs per year, at an estimated retail value of more than \$1.2 billion. A large egg is an excellent source of high-quality protein and amino acids, providing 13 essential nutrients and only 70 calories.

For more information about the event, visit www.PJsandEggsOhio.com. For more information about egg nutrition or for delicious recipes, visit www.OhioEggs.com and www.Pinterest.com/OhioPoultryAssn.

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