

# Casino Night for Rett!



**Rylee Gregory, 2 years old**  
**Diagnosed with Rett syndrome**

#### What is Rett syndrome?

Rett syndrome is a genetic neurological disorder that occurs almost exclusively in females. Rett syndrome becomes apparent after 6-18 months of early normal development. It results in a regression that leads to lifelong impairments. It is often misdiagnosed as autism or cerebral palsy and has no cure. Rett syndrome is the only autism spectrum disorder with a known genetic cause. Those inflicted with this disorder have no purposeful hand use due to their repetitive hand movements, hand wringing and mouthing. Speech is lost, seizures develop and scoliosis occurs. Irregular breathing patterns, hyperventilation and breath holding take place. More than half of the girls and women lose their ability to walk. Those diagnosed with Rett syndrome require maximum assistance with even the most basic daily activities. **A girl is born every two hours with Rett syndrome.**

#### About the International Rett Syndrome Foundation

IRSF is the world's leading private funder of basic, translational and clinical Rett syndrome research, funding over **\$21M** in high-quality, peer-reviewed research grants and programs to date. Annually, IRSF hosts the world's largest gathering of global Rett researchers and clinicians to establish research direction and priorities while exchanging ideas and the most recent information. IRSF is the most comprehensive non-profit organization dedicated to providing thorough and accurate information about Rett syndrome, offering informational and emotional family support, and stimulating research aimed at accelerating treatments and a cure for Rett syndrome and related disorders. IRSF has earned Charity Navigator's most prestigious 4 star rating. To learn more about IRSF and Rett syndrome, visit [www.rett Syndrome.org](http://www.rett Syndrome.org) or call IRSF at 1-800-818-RETT (7388).

Come out and join us for a night of *fun* and *casino games* while supporting the International Rett Syndrome Foundation!

We are teaming up with House Rules Entertainment Inc. to host a Casino Night in Lynchburg on Saturday, February 26<sup>th</sup> at the American Legion. The Entrance fee is \$35 per person or \$50 per couple.

Enjoy games like:

**Black Jack,  
Texas Hold 'Em,  
Roulette and  
Craps!**

**All proceeds will benefit the International Rett Syndrome Foundation. Door prizes will be awarded! There are limited spots available, so please make your reservation now!**

**Date:** Saturday, Feb. 26th

**Time:** 7p-11p, registration at 6:45

**Place:** American Legion Post 16  
1301 Greenview Dr.  
Lynchburg, VA 24502



**To buy tickets go to:**

<http://irsf.ejoinme.org/casinonight>

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