

A visit to Turning Point means more than a meal

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You love going out for breakfast (and lunch), right? This weekend, you can enjoy your meal while making a difference.

This Saturday and Sunday, Turning Point Restaurants' 10 locations will host The Kortney Rose Foundation's fifth annual Great Food for a Great Cause fundraiser. Between 8 a.m. and 3 p.m., diners who donate to the foundation will receive a gift card to use on their next Turning Point visit: A \$25 donation entitles the donor to two free entrees, a \$50 donation equals four free entrees and a \$60 donation means four free entrees and a Turning Point mug.

The Kortney Rose Foundation was founded by Kristen and Rich Gillette in memory of their daughter, who at age 9 was diagnosed with brain cancer. Kortney, a student at Wolf Hill Elementary School in Oceanport, died four months later.

"It is very rewarding to see growing support throughout the community and to meet people who are helping us fund better treatments and ultimately cures for pediatric brain tumors," Kristen Gillette said in a news release.



Kortney Rose Gillette died from a brain tumor in 2006, and the foundation created in her name will benefit from the fifth annual Great Food for a Great Cause fundraiser at Turning Point restaurants this weekend. (Photo: Photo courtesy of the Gillette family)

Since its inception in 2006, the foundation has donated a total of \$910,000. The funds have been used to build a playground in Kortney's name, fund pediatric brain tumor research at The Children's Hospital of Philadelphia and helped establish its Children's Brain Tumor Tissue Consortium, according to the release.



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Turning Point has restaurants in Brick, Holmdel, Little Silver, Long Branch, Manalapan, Sea Girt, Marlton, Westfield, Cherry Hill and Hoboken. For more information, visit www.thekortneyrosefoundation.org.

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