Wienckowski family hopes to hire private investigator

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An effort to raise money to hire a private investigator in an attempt to change the official cause of death from accidental to homicide for Kenmore native Amanda L. Wienckowski is scheduled for 3-6 p.m. Saturday.

The auction, which also will include a drawing for a 46-inch flat-screen television, will be held in Kate's Bar & Restaurant, 1125 Tonawanda St., near Vulcan Street, in Buffalo's Riverside neighborhood.

Admission is \$10, a charge that will be waived for those who purchase a raffle ticket for the television. Food donated from area organizations and restaurants will be served.

Wienckowski's body was found frozen in a plastic trash bin outside a church at Clinton and Spring streets more than four years ago. Her family hired a pathologist, who, in a second autopsy, determined the 20-year-old woman died from strangulation, not the accidental drug overdose as determined by the county.