



2024
Racing towards a
Sound Future
Gala

Thursday, May 9, 2024

The Mansion at Mountain Lakes

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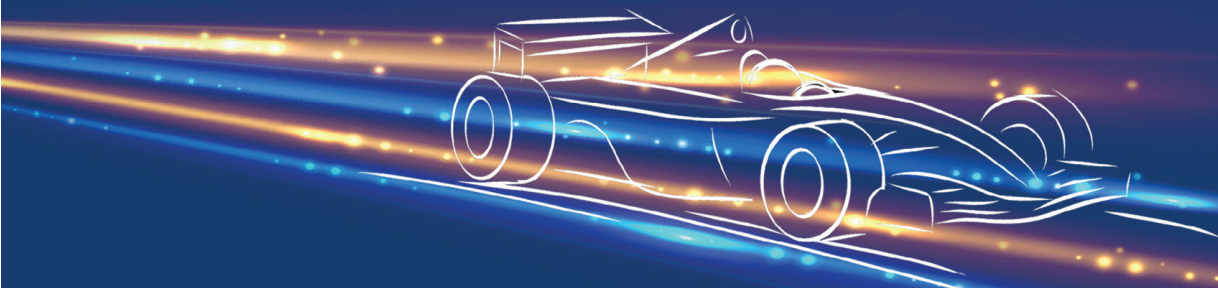
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You are cordially invited
to our



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6pm Cocktail Hour

7-10pm Seated Dinner, Speakers and
Live Auction with Pat Tully

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90 Route 46 East • Mountain Lakes, NJ

Black-tie Optional

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ASL Interpretation Services will be available

For inquires or questions, please contact Allison Sargent Events at
info@soundstartfdn.org or 973-783-5689

Sound Start Foundation is a nonprofit 501(c)(3) organization that supports early intervention
for children born deaf or hard of hearing; Federal Tax Identification #85-2098341.

is proud to present our
Honoree and Special Guest Speaker



Honoree

JED A KWARTLER, MD

A graduate of UMDNJ, Dr. Jed Kwartler completed his fellowship in Neurotology and skull base surgery at the House Ear Clinic in Los Angeles. Over his 40 year career, he has advanced hearing science for people of all ages in New Jersey and around the world.

He has served in cochlear implant research trials, as well as Phase 1 and 2 drug trials for tinnitus and sudden hearing loss. He has moved the frontiers of hearing rehabilitation forward with the first pediatric cochlear implant, as well as the first middle ear implant and the first active bone conduction implant in New Jersey.

He is past president of the NJ Academy of Otolaryngology and served on the medical advisory boards of both the NJ and national Acoustic Neuroma Associations, as well as multiple committees of the American Academy of Otolaryngology.

He received an MBA from Rutgers and joined Summit Medical Group in 2005.



Guest Speaker

KRIS MARTIN

Ask Kris Martin to do something for you and his standard response is, “Not a problem.” This is his motto whether he is racing at speeds of over 200 miles per hour or speaking to over 300 hundred students who look at him as a role model. Being born profoundly deaf is “Not a problem.” In fact, being born hearing impaired may have helped Kris. He learned to race by primarily using his tactile senses, and has given him a great ability to feel the track and use his instincts.

Today, Kris is actually able to receive partial hearing through the use of an implant he had surgically implanted when he was 8 years old. A company Phonak Hearing Systems created an audio device that uses radiofrequency which allows Kris to communicate with his spotters. According to Kris, this device is crucial for racing. “If I can’t hear my spotters, I can’t race.” Today, with many trophies collected, Kris is looking to take it to the next level, in racing and motivating others in the deaf community.



Our Mission

Sound Start Foundation's mission is to support educational and therapeutic programs to help babies and toddlers with hearing loss, and their families. Sound Start Foundation provides support to the Sound Start Babies Program for Deaf and Hard of Hearing Children, which provides life-changing early intervention, family-support and nursery programs to children with hearing loss throughout New Jersey.

Sound Start Foundation provides up to 65% of the funding needed to run the Sound Start Babies Program for Deaf and Hard of Hearing Children. The State of New Jersey only covers a small part of the funding needed to run this Program and funds from the Department of Education are not available to families until children reach three years old. This is why your support is critical to help change the trajectory of these babies' lives forever.

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- Name/Logo on Promo Materials, Website and Social Media
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Inside Front Cover - 5" x 8"
\$1,000

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\$750

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\$250

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info@soundstartfdn.org.

Ads are black and white only.
Word documents are not acceptable
unless providing text only.

Ad Reservation Deadline is April 15, 2024.

Ad Artwork is due April 25, 2024.

INDIVIDUAL TICKETS

\$1,200 Friend Tickets

- Includes Two (2) Individual Tickets and Listing on the Event Program and Website

\$550 Sponsor-a-Family

- Two (2) Tickets to be Donated to a Sound Start Babies Family

\$275 Sponsor-a-Teacher

- One (1) Ticket to be Donated to a Program Teacher

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