SPARC INC

Music UNDER THE Stars

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CRABTREE'S KITTLE HOUSE

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MESSAGE FROM
The Executive Director

It brings us immense joy to welcome you to our 4th Annual Music under the Stars Fundraising event, where we celebrate the invaluable support of, and for the SPARC community. On behalf of the entire SPARC team, I would like to extend my heartfelt gratitude for your dedication to our mission of enriching the lives of individuals with developmental disabilities through top-notch therapeutic recreation activities.

Tonight, we gather to honor and recognize the outstanding contributions of our esteemed community members and families. We congratulate you for being true leaders and advocates for our community. Your unwavering dedication and commitment to our cause have played a pivotal role in enabling us to make a profound impact on the lives of those we serve.

Through your generous donations, we have been able to provide transformative recreational experiences to individuals with developmental disabilities, bringing them joy, fulfillment, and opportunities for personal growth and independence. Your support has enabled us to expand our program offerings, acquire specialized equipment, and develop innovative initiatives tailored to meet the unique needs of our participants. Your compassion and dedication have created lasting memories and instilled a sense of belonging and self-confidence in our participants that transcends the boundaries of their disabilities.

We pledge to utilize your contributions responsibly, ensuring that every dollar is invested wisely in our programs and services. We are committed to maintaining the highest standards of efficiency and transparency, keeping you informed of our progress and the positive outcomes achieved through your support.

Once again, we express our deepest gratitude for standing alongside us in our mission. Together, we are making a significant difference in the lives of those who need it most. We look forward to continuing our journey together, empowering individuals with developmental disabilities to thrive and find joy in every moment.

With heartfelt appreciation,

Jordan G. Wood

Executive Director

SPARC News

SPARC is excited to announce our new training programs for the Special Olympics. At SPARC, we believe in turning the impossible into reality for our participants. We have partnered with Certified Trainers at Fit4All to provide a dedicated space for training. Our Special Olympic programs include Skills Basketball, Bowling, Golf, and Esports.

Our dedicated team is committed to providing unwavering support, encouragement, and opportunities to showcase their remarkable talents and abilities. Our participants are not defined by their differences; they are celebrated for being "Born Original."

About SPARC

SPARC Inc., founded in 1989, is a nonprofit agency dedicated to enriching the lives of individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities (IDD) in Westchester County. Through social interaction and therapeutic recreation activities, SPARC aims to create a supportive environment where participants can develop skills and experience a sense of belonging.

We offer engaging activities for participants of all ages, from school aged to senior adults, in a structured and nurturing environment.

At SPARC, we believe that everyone deserves to experience the joy of socializing and connecting with others in their community. That's why we align our programs based on our participants' abilities, ensuring that everyone can enjoy our activities and develop positive experiences.

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Music Under the Stars T-Shirt

By wearing this t-shirt, you're not only showcasing your impeccable taste but also supporting a meaningful cause. A portion of the proceeds from each sale goes towards supporting SPARC's charitable initiatives.

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MEET THE BAND

M80s New York

The ultimate 80s music experience! This band is dedicated to taking you on a nostalgic journey back to a time of big hair, carefree times, and incredible music. From Duran Duran to Bon Jovi, Madonna to Pat Benatar, and the Cure to numerous other iconic artists, M80s New York meticulously curates their setlist to showcase all your favorite hits. But they're not just a cover band - their mission is to create an electrifying atmosphere where you can let loose, dance, and sing along to the tunes that defined an era.

m80sny.com

IRWIN SILVERBERG

For more than 15 years, the Silverberg Family has graciously supported the mission of SPARC, demonstrating their commitment to helping others, driven by their own experiences. During Mr. Silverberg's college years, his family faced financial challenges, and he would not have been able to graduate from Princeton University without the generous grants he received. The Silverberg Family has maintained a deep sense of gratitude and is determined to extend similar assistance to those in need.

In recognition of their unwavering support, the Silverberg Family was honored with an award in 2011 for their dedication to SPARC, their generous donations, and their advocacy for individuals with developmental disabilities.

Suzanne Chase, Irwin and Carol's daughter, has actively served on the Board of SPARC and currently holds a position on SPARC's Finance Committee, furthering the family's involvement in the organization's governance.

In 2015, Irwin Silverberg and Carol Silverberg made a significant contribution to SPARC. This donation specifically supported various programs, including Tennis, Golf, Equestrian activities, and Bowling.

Over the years, the Silverberg Family has continued to make substantial donations to SPARC.

As a direct result of their generosity, a Foundation was established to provide scholarships for individuals and families facing financial hardships. This Foundation has supported more than 700 participants and their families in their pursuit of educational and developmental opportunities.

SPARC deeply appreciates the enduring relationship with the Silverberg Family and is profoundly grateful for their unwavering dedication and support.

The Story of Crabtree's Kittle House Restaurant & Inn

The Kittle House dates back to 1790 when it was originally Reisig and Hexamer's Barn on Ivy Hill Farm. In the mid-1800s, John Kittle purchased the farm, renaming it The Kittle Barn and Carriage House on Ivy Hill. In 1890, Moses Taylor V, a wealthy entrepreneur, acquired the property and surrounding 500 acres, establishing Annandale Farm for breeding prize cattle.

In 1895, Taylor transformed the barn into a lavish home as a wedding gift for his daughter Marion. However, Marion refused to live there, so it became a guesthouse for Taylor's associates and dignitaries. Following Taylor's death in 1928, the estate was sold off in parcels. During Prohibition, the Kittle House became a discreet roadhouse. In 1931, it was converted into the Noble School for Girls, which closed after five years, paving the way for its current role as a restaurant and inn.

The Lawrence Family of Bronxville bought the property, renaming it The Lawrence Farms Inn. The inn thrived, hosting famous actors like Henry Fonda, Margaret Sullavan, Burgess Meredith, and Tallulah Bankhead, especially during the Westchester Playhouse's prime on adjacent property. One notable incident involved Sullavan pouring ice water on Fonda's head during a Fourth of July argument, entertaining the dining room crowd.

In 1949, William Carlson acquired and renamed it "Carlson's Kittle House." The late 1970s saw the addition of a mahogany bar with a colorful history, originally bought in England by actress Fanny Brice for her beau, Dutch Schultz. The bar, once in Schultz's speakeasy, became the Tap Room's centerpiece, with its clock forever stuck at 12.

The Crabtree Family purchased The Kittle House in 1981 and restored its former glory. The surrounding grounds, designed with intimate gardens, are perfect for outdoor dining, weddings, and cocktail receptions. The historic Atrium Carriage Room hosts elegant events for up to 225 guests, the Wine Cellar Table seats 16, and the Ivy Hill Room seats up to 40. The inn offers 12 cozy guest rooms, and the former stables now house a legendary wine cellar with one of the world's greatest collections of fine wine.

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