

**T.J. Martell Foundation**

*Leukemia, Cancer and AIDS Research*



**MUSIC'S PROMISE  
FOR A CURE**

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**TABLE HOSTS ANNOUNCED FOR 2<sup>nd</sup> ANNUAL  
LET'S TALK NASHVILLE  
SEPTEMBER 10<sup>th</sup> - 6pm - Hutton Hotel**

**Nashville, Tenn. (August 6, 2015)** – The T.J. Martell Foundation is proud to confirm guest “Table Hosts” for “Let’s Talk Nashville,” on Sept 10<sup>th</sup> at the Hutton Hotel. Founded by Ben Jumper, CEO of Soundcheck and Crew One Productions and longtime T.J. Martell Foundation board member, “Let’s Talk Nashville” provides a rare opportunity to dine and engage in conversation with some of Nashville’s most interesting and influential people in sports, music and business. Proceeds will help fund innovative medical research focused on finding cures for leukemia, cancer and AIDS.

Table sponsors, along with their invited guests will have the opportunity to select which Table Hosts they are interested in sitting with. Over a fine dinner, guests will have the opportunity to learn about their Table Host's area of expertise and exchange thoughts about current and future trends in their field.

“A couple of years ago I was asked to be a table host at a fundraising event in Austin, Texas called Engaging Conversations. That evening turned out to be one of the most amazing and truly engaging fundraisers I’ve attended. I am very proud to have introduced this concept to the Nashville community as I feel conversation is important but sadly, a dying art form,” says Ben Jumper.

**Confirmed Table Hosts thus far include:**

- **Coach Tim Corbin** – Two-time SEC Coach of the Year, Coach Corbin has taken Vanderbilt’s baseball program to unprecedented success

with the school's first-ever win of the College World Series in 2014 and 2nd place in 2015.

- **Bob DiPiero** – A highly respected and multi-award winning songwriter, Mr. DiPiero has written 15 number 1 hits for a plethora of country music artists including Tim McGraw, Brooks & Dunn, Reba McEntire, George Strait and Vince Gill to name just a few.
- **Dr. Scott Hiebert** – The Associate Director of Cancer Research at the Vanderbilt Ingram Cancer Center, Dr. Hiebert is recognized for his career focus on research advances in the area of hematology and malignant blood cancers. He is also recognized for his mentorship and influence on the careers of countless trainees as well as those in our community.
- **Hugh Howser** – This America's Lifestyle Expert and TV Personality is the go-to guy for events, weddings and celebrations for A-list celebrities that include Nicole Kidman, Reba McEntire, Jake Owen, George Strait and many more.
- **Brenda Lee** - An iconic recording artist who has garnered both the Grammy's "Governors Award" and the "Lifetime Achievement Grammy." Brenda Lee is also a member of both the Rock & Roll and Country Music Halls of Fame.
- **Danny Rowe** – The props master for the ABC hit series "Nashville," Danny Rowe has also wrangled props and instruments for movies such as Iron Man, Thor and the Captain America films.
- **Dennis Haskins** – Best known as "Mr. Belding" on the teen show SAVED BY THE BELL, Dennis has worked as a music manager, agent and concert promoter. Among his customers were Tom Jones and Greg Allman. He wrote a guide for actors called "Rating the Agents." On screen he had guest roles in series like [The Twilight Zone](#) (1985), [Magnum, P.I.](#) (1980) and many others.
- **Melissa Schleicher** – Owner of Parlour 3 Beauty and Barbour 3, Melissa has been a leading makeup artist and hairstylist to celebrity clientele including Carrie Underwood, Alan Jackson, Loretta Lynn, Lisa Marie Presley and many more.
- **Janice D. Holt** – A private investigator whose story quickly became a Lifetime Network favorite in 2005; Holt has also served as Commissioner on the 2004 and 2008 regulatory board that governs the actions of private investigators.

- **Mike Webb** – The Senior Field Representative of Area 43: Tennessee for the National Rifle Association (NRA).
- **Zac Adams** – CEO and Producer of the production company Skydive Films, Mr. Adams is also the director of Emmy-nominated film “Nashville Rises” and the multiple awarded mini-series “Southern Haunts.”
- **Carl Meier** - Co-founder of The Black Abbey Brewing Company in Nashville, TN, specializing in crafting unique and approachable beer inspired by the monastic traditions of Belgium and the pub culture of England.

Additional table hosts to be announced as they confirm.

The T.J. Martell Foundation is the music industry’s largest foundation that funds innovative medical research focused on finding cures for leukemia, cancer and AIDS. The Foundation was founded by music industry executive Tony Martell and his colleagues in loving memory of his son T.J., who died of leukemia. 2015 marks the 40th Anniversary of the T.J. Martell Foundation which has provided more than \$270 million to top research hospitals in the United States.

To learn more about the T.J. Martell Foundation, please visit the [website](#).

For reservations or information call (615) 256-2002 or email Allyson Baggott at [abaggott@tjmartell.org](mailto:abaggott@tjmartell.org). Tables start at \$2,000 and tickets are \$200 each.

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