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## **Tickets on Sale Now for Darien Foundation's April 25 'Yacht Rock On' Benefit**

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Tickets are now available for purchase for this year's Darien Foundation benefit, Yacht Rock On, to be held on Saturday, April 25, at 6:30 p.m. at The Tokeneke Club.

The event will feature a live performance by the high-energy, award-winning, six-piece band Three Sheets to the Wind: America's Number One Tribute to Yacht Rock.

— *an announcement from the* [Darien Foundation](#)

Last year, tickets sold out over two weeks in advance, so The Darien Foundation encourages those interested in attending to purchase tickets early. Tickets are available at [the Darien Foundation website](#).

“We continue to be amazed by the tremendous support for our annual flagship event,” said Byrne Pozzi,

Darien Foundation board member, fundraising chair and event co-chair.

For those looking to find the perfect nautically-themed attire and accessories, The Darien Foundation is planning a styling event on the evening of April 1, 2020 at Coco + Lala in Darien. The free styling event will offer the sale of items specially curated for the Yacht Rock On event.

Yacht rock continues to be a popular musical genre across a variety of age groups, and the band's set list is sure to include hits like "Africa," "Sailing," "The Boys of Summer" and other nostalgic covers of musical greats like Hall & Oates, Toto and Steely Dan.

The nautically-themed benefit will feature beachside cocktails and hors d'oeuvres, and a gourmet buffet dinner artfully prepared by Maurice Hurley, head chef at The Tokeneke Club.

"The fun-filled night recognizes the efforts of the organization while raising funds and awareness to help expand its impact throughout the Darien community and beyond," Pozzi said.

This year, the event will forego an auction and instead offer a text-to-give option for attendees looking to further support the foundation.

"Yacht Rock On is sure to be another memorable night celebrating the start of summer while raising funds for this great local organization," said Alison Muench, event co-chair. "We are so thankful to the community and our corporate sponsors for their continued support of our mission."

The Tokeneke Club facilities and staff will be exclusively dedicated to The Darien Foundation on the evening of the Yacht Rock On benefit.

"We are excited to host our annual benefit at The Tokeneke Club for the third year in a row," said Kerrie Kelley, a foundation board member. "The club's beach and amazing views make it a perfect fit for our Yacht Rock theme."

All proceeds from the Yacht Rock On benefit support The Darien Foundation, a 501 (c)(3) non-profit organization.

Benefit tickets are \$225 per person (\$70 of each ticket purchase is tax-deductible). Event sponsorship information and options for direct donations are available on the [foundation website](#).

### **About the Darien Foundation**

The Darien Foundation is an independent, community-based, public charity. Since 1998, The Darien Foundation has funded \$4.5 million in grants for technology and capital initiatives, which create opportunity for Darien's youth, support our town's safety and security services, and enhance the overall quality of life in

Darien.

Our volunteer Board of Directors, which reflects the many constituencies of Darien, thoroughly evaluate grant requests, and assists grant recipients in achieving their goals.

Most recently, The Darien Foundation has awarded grants to the Darien Nature Center, DAF Media, the Depot, the Mather Homestead, and Person-to-Person.

***For More Information***

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The Darien Foundation is grateful for the support of its board members, Benefit Steering Committee and extended Event Committee.

*2020 Benefit Steering Committee members:* Sean Calvillo, Kerry Coppola, Kate Coyle, Kerrie Kelley, Maggie Machir, Hilary Thompson, Medora Westcott.

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