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## 5th annual Brew & BBQ benefit

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ALPHARETTA, Ga. – The Cornelia de Lange Syndrome (CdLS) Foundation, a national nonprofit family support organization, is hosting its fifth annual Brew & BBQ for CdLS Saturday, Sept. 27, at Jekyll Brewing in Alpharetta.

Event organizers Fran Rissland and Suzanne Musial of Alpharetta are both parents of children with CdLS, a little-known genetic disorder that causes a variety of physical, cognitive and developmental disabilities.

"As moms to children born with Cornelia de Lange Syndrome, we are honored to host this fundraiser benefitting the national CdLS Foundation that does so much for families affected by this syndrome like ours," said Musial, mom to 6-year-old Ella Grace.

Since 2009, the event has raised nearly \$20,000 to help people with CdLS live better, fuller lives. Admission includes a souvenir glass, beer sampling, barbecue dinner, live music, brewery tours and a chance to bid on fabulous silent auction items. All proceeds benefit the CdLS Foundation.

"We are also excited to host the Brew & BBQ for CdLS this year at Jekyll Brewing in Alpharetta, which is right in our backyards," said Rissland, mom to 10-year-old Riley. "We hope to increase awareness of this little-known syndrome and gain support within our own community."

Cornelia de Lange Syndrome is a congenital syndrome, meaning it is present from birth.

It causes a range of physical, medical and developmental challenges, and occurs in approximately 1 in 10,000 live births. The effects of CdLS range from mild to severe, and it affects both genders equally.

In the U.S., 20,000 people have CdLS but remain undiagnosed and/or without support services.

For information, visit [brewandbbq4cdls.com](http://brewandbbq4cdls.com). For more information about the CdLS Foundation or to make a donation, call 800-753-2357 or visit [www.cdlsusa.org](http://www.cdlsusa.org).

If you go

WHAT: Brew & BBQ

WHERE: Jekyll Brewing

2855 Marconi Drive

Alpharetta (off Windward Pkwy.)

WHEN: Saturday, Sept. 27, 5 – 8 p.m.

TICKETS: \$20 online at [brewandbbq4cdls.com](http://brewandbbq4cdls.com); \$25 at the door

Must be 21 or older to attend. Proper ID required.

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