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NORWALK, Ohio – This weekend isn't just another regional race for "Sassy" Cassie Simonton and the Kon Rodz Racing team. It's the Cavalcade of Stars. She'll be piloting Spiro Kontos' 260 mph Top Alcohol Funny Car down the Summit Motorsports Park strip in front of upwards of 30,000 fans. The team that not only races to win, but also to put on a great show for the fans, Kon Rodz is expecting to do both this weekend.

"It's a lot more enjoyable to race in front of a large crowd. It was cool last year, to pull up to line and hear the cheer of the crowd. I love having the crowd around; it gets you pumped up, it gets you motivated," said Simonton.

On top of a great forecast for fan attendance, the weather forecast is near perfect as well. Sunny skies all weekend and high temperatures around 80 degrees are expected.

"With the weather being perfect, we know we can get all three sessions in to get the car dialed in and ready for race day," Cassie says.

Team owner Spiro Kontos is also looking forward to this much-anticipated race on the NHRA Lucas Oil Drag Racing Series tour.

"Summit Motorsports Park is truly a fantastic track and the Bader family sure knows how to put on great events like this. The great weather forecast and family atmosphere will make for a great weekend of racing. We hope to see everyone out there," said Kontos.

"Sassy" Cassie Simonton and the Kon Rodz Racing funny car will start off qualifying at 7 on Friday night at the B'laster Cavalcade of Stars at Summit Motorsports Park. Qualifying continues on Saturday at 3:30 and 8 pm, with eliminations on Sunday morning.

Simonton would like to thank Spiro and the team – crew chief Randy Anderson, Adam, Patrick, Cory, and Stefan – for their support.

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Kon Rodz Racing is a NHRA Top Alcohol Funny Car team owned by Spiro Kontos, competing in the Lucas Oil Drag Racing Series. 25-year old Cassie Simonton drives the team's 3,000 horsepower Chevy Monte Carlo funny car. Spiro, Cassie, and the whole Kon Rodz Racing team would like to thank the following sponsors for their continued support: Lucas Oil, NGK Spark Plugs, Goodson, BAE, Goodyear Tire, Clevite, Mac Tools, Artist ButchM, and ithreesixty Music Infused Apparel.

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