

# STAND UP AGAINST BULLYING

Virtual Fundraiser Supporting



**respect**

*staging conversations*

**August 4, 2022 @ 7pm**

*Building healthy relationships using  
theatre and community  
collaboration!*

## **Welcome**

Dr. Patricia Newman, Founder & Executive Director

## **Selected Scenes From**

***Stop and Think, Between the Lines, Coping In Crisis,  
& Cracked But Not Broken***

Virtual Performance By RESPECT Actor-Educators

## **Award Presentations**

Board Member of the Year

*Robin Spindler*

Employee of the Year

*Julia Ervin - Actor-Educator & Props Manager*

Community Partner of the Year

*St. Timothy's Lutheran Church*

## **Honoring Our Staff & Thank You**

Dr. Patricia Newman

## **Announcement of**

**Dr. Newman as School Mental Health Champion**

**Farewell & RESPECT Song**

RESPECT Board Chairperson Beth Wilderman, JD

Song Composed by Donald Gerber

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## **About RESPECT**

When RESPECT started more than 20 years ago many did not believe bullying and violence and their relationship to mental health and child abuse were serious problems. Those who started RESPECT knew otherwise. They also knew there were ways to prevent many of these problems and to provide help for those experiencing them. RESPECT has been on the forefront of working collaboratively with students, families, schools and communities to

help give individuals the information, skills and experiences they need to have healthier and safer relationships and communities. RESPECT was also on the forefront in using theatre as a tool with a data-driven model to make sure we did the very best job possible to make this happen!

The founders of RESPECT believed in the power of theatre to help educate and change lives. They “respected” theatre not just as an art but as a tool to help build empathy, demonstrate skills, allow students to communicate and share as they “try on” and explore different ideas and ways to interact with those who are different or who may be harmful to them. Theatre captivates attention and is an efficient way to “Stage Conversations” so that students and teachers can safely learn from each other – it allows RESPECT to adapt and individualize to meet the needs of a variety of communities.

Now, RESPECT is adapting to a new world with even more challenges. We are proud to have created new scripts to meet evolving needs and we have adapted existing ones to be offered remotely in an engaging format. We continue to offer prevention programs covering topics of bullying, dating violence, child abuse, internet safety, and negative peer pressure with options related to suicide, depression, drugs, alcohol, body image and self-harm. Our newest programs address safety and emotional needs that emerged during the COVID-19 pandemic and identity-based bullying as related to racial inequalities and racism. A silver lining from the pandemic was being given the opportunity to invest in building remote and complementary video resources. We are now able to offer virtual programs at any location regardless of distance and have a range of supplementary video content called Continuing Conversations and RESPECT READS to further reinforce the topics that we cover.

RESPECT has provided programs for nearly 600,000 participants since we started and we have cast dozens of actor-educators supporting and benefiting from our talented arts community. RESPECT is a small but powerful organization facilitating changes that make true differences in the lives of others: helping a child report that his uncle is abusing him – helping girls report rape – helping children report that a parent is being abused by another parent – helping students learn how to help others who are being bullied – helping students tell someone they are cutting themselves – helping students know how to tell someone they want to die – helping students know how to make a friend and be a friend. These are skills that last forever. They are invaluable.

## **Silent Auction Offerings**

<b>Adult Coffee</b>	<b>Polar Bear Family</b>
<b>Back to School</b>	<b>Reptiles!</b>
<b>"Frozen" Activity Tote</b>	<b>Warm and Cozy</b>
<b>Christmas Accents</b>	<b>Animals of the Arctic</b>
<b>Dessert for Two</b>	<b>Find the Hedgehogs!</b>
<b>Friendship</b>	<b>Slow Cooking = More Time</b>
<b>Autum Extras</b>	<b>Refresh with a Smoothie</b>
<b>Valentine Comforts</b>	<b>Stars All Around Us</b>
<b>"Hearty" Breakfast</b>	<b>Refreshing Self-Care</b>
<b>Magic Treehouse Books</b>	<b>4th of July Decor</b>
<b>Learning is Fun!</b>	<b>Oh, Hanukkah...Oh, Hanukkah</b>
<b>Fuzzy Dog</b>	<b>Hoppy Easter</b>
<b>Fortune the Dinosaur</b>	<b>Happy Dog, Happy Life</b>
<b>Wonder the Owl</b>	<b>Home Sweet Snowman</b>
<b>Relaxation for a Girl</b>	<b>Creighton Men's Soccer Season Tickets</b>
<b>Serene the Sloth</b>	<b>Creighton Women's Soccer Season Tickets</b>
<b>Chance the Dog</b>	<b>Creighton Women's Basketball Season Tickets</b>
<b>Lucky the Cat</b>	<b>Creighton Men's Basketball Season Tickets</b>
<b>Activities for Fun</b>	
<b>Things to do!</b>	
<b>Quiet Time Reading</b>	

# **Silent Auction Offerings**

<b>Bird Bath</b>	<b>Let's See A Show!</b>
<b>Gramercy</b>	<b>Downtown Omaha Date Night</b>
<b>For the Garden Lover</b>	<b>The Rose Theater</b>
<b>I Get By With A 'Latte' Help From My Friends</b>	<b>Fun for Two!</b>
<b>Pampered Chef</b>	<b>Murder Mystery</b>
<b>Opera Omaha</b>	<b>Family Topgolf</b>
<b>College World Series</b>	<b>You're a HOOT!</b>
<b>Relax With A Book</b>	<b>St. Patrick's Day</b>
<b>American Nails &amp; Spa</b>	<b>Kid Approved!</b>
<b>Halloween Fun!</b>	<b>It's A Party!</b>
<b>Omaha Symphony</b>	<b>Omaha Storm Chasers</b>
<b>Christmas Snuggles</b>	<b>Family Fun!</b>
<b>Happy Home Happy Holidays</b>	<b>Ladies Night Out</b>
<b>Puzzles and Pandas!</b>	<b>A Day at the Museum</b>
<b>STAR WARS</b>	<b>Ignite Beauty</b>
<b>Everything Fall</b>	<b>Travel with Beauty</b>
<b>Red, White &amp; Blue</b>	<b>New Hair, New You</b>
<b>Lincoln Adventures</b>	<b>REF Stockholm Sweden</b>

***The silent auction will end after the event at 9pm  
See baskets and place bids at  
[virtualauction.bid/RESPECT2022](https://virtualauction.bid/RESPECT2022)***

# **Thank You To Our Silent Auction Donors!**

**Amazing Pizza Machine**

**American Nails & Spa**

**Arby's**

**BlueBarn Theatre**

**The Bookworm**

**Paige Brenneman**

**Craft Axe Throwing**

**Creighton University  
Athletics**

**Durham Museum**

**Empyrean Brewing Co.**

**Lindsay Farrel, South Pacific  
The Salon**

**Fontenelle Forest**

**For The Wild Birds**

**Gramercy Garment District**

**Scott Heider**

**Marlena Laney**

**Lauritzen Gardens**

**Le Smash**

**Lincoln Children's Zoo**

**Gretchen Mack**

**The Makery**

**The Market Basket**

**Kathleen McGee**

**Patricia Newman**

**Omaha Symphony**

**Omaha Children's Museum**

**Omaha Dinner Detective**

**Omaha's Henry Doorly Zoo**

**Omaha Storm Chasers**

**Opera Omaha**

**Oriental Trading Company**

**PACE Arts Iowa**

**Pepperjax Grill**

**Pet Smart**

**Linda Neumann-Potash**

**Todd Roberts**

**The Rose Theater**

**SAC Museum**

**Robin Spindler**

**Topgolf Omaha**

**Upstream Brewing  
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**Vala's Pumpkin Patch**

**Valley View Veterinary  
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## **RESPECT Staff**

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Ilana Weiss\* - Associate Executive Director

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Samantha Zarders - Co-Artistic Director

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### **Actor Educators**

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