



Celebrate Ability Gala

NOVEMBER 5, 2021
AT 6:30 PM

Welcome

Dear Friends,

On behalf of Special Leisure Services Foundation, it is my pleasure to welcome you to the Celebrate Ability Gala. This evening we celebrate the talents and achievements of the thousands of children and adults with disabilities who attend Northwest Special Recreation Association (NWSRA) programs. Your participation in the Impact Auction, Silent Auction and raffles help NWSRA to provide a full range of recreation and leisure activities and experiences. The scope of NWSRA's services could not be accomplished without your support.

Many of the people volunteering tonight are NWSRA staff members. Feel free to ask them about their jobs and why they work at NWSRA. I think you will be struck by the passion each of them feels toward ensuring that children and adults with disabilities have opportunities to have fun, make friends, go new places, learn new things, be included and celebrate their lives. All NWSRA staff and volunteers are truly making an impact directly in your community.

Thank you for joining our mission of improving the lives of thousands of children and adults with disabilities through outstanding recreational opportunities in our communities. Have a wonderful evening and thank you so much for supporting the Special Leisure Services Foundation.

Sincerely,

Kathy Nowicki

Kathy Nowicki
Chair
Special Leisure Services Foundation



MISSION:

We exist to support children and adults with disabilities through philanthropy for Northwest Special Recreation Association.

VISION:

Maximizing all philanthropic opportunities to build a future that is diverse and inclusive by opening doors through innovative services and community opportunities.

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Day of Events

Welcome

Live music featuring Rebecca Suchodolski & JoAnn Snyder

Program Begins

Musical Performance

featuring Brian Howard

Celebrate Ability \$100 Raffle Drawing

Impact Auction

Silent Auction Closes

Bucket O' Cheer Drawing

Closing Remarks

Dance Party!



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2021 Impact Auction

*The 2021 Auction will raise
money for the Hoffman Estates
Vogelei Farmhouse as the 6th
Programming Space!*



Make an Impact

Bucket o' Cheer Raffle

Win over \$1,000 worth of spirits, mixers and bar accessories!



Wish List

Shop till you drop! Whether it's furniture for a new program space or a box of supplies for a participant, every wish granted makes an impact!

Silent Auction

Bid on a variety of items for yourself or as a present!



Auction Format

This auction is designed for fun and to raise money for
Special Leisure Services Foundation.

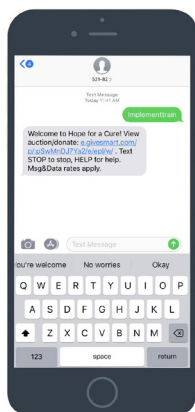


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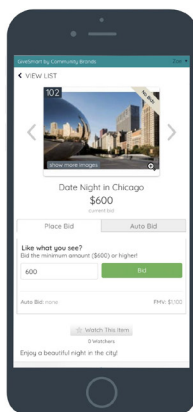
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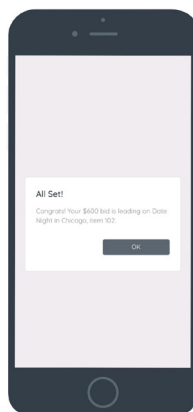
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**“We are happy to continue to support SLSF and
NWSRA, and excited to see them further their
mission of providing recreational opportunities
for children and adults with disabilities. They
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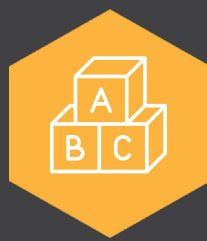
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Thank You!

The SLSF Board of Directors and staff would like to thank you for being part of the SLSF and NWSRA family! Because of your generosity, NWSRA participants continue to benefit from abundant opportunities to learn, grow and excel. Below are a few examples of how your support is making an impact!

"I just wanted to write and say thank you so much for the scholarship that allowed my daughter to go to summer camp. She just enjoys it so much and without your generosity it would not have been possible."

NWSRA Parent from Bartlett

"The NWSRA programming spaces are so versatile and exceptional. You can tell every detail was thought out. We are so thankful to program so close to home!"

NWSRA Parent from PURSUIT Adult Day Program

"I am a huge fan of the inclusion program for before and after school care. Having my autistic son participate in these programs has been very helpful in encouraging the growth of his social skills. But even more critical is the support personnel provided by NWSRA. Knowing that my son is safe, physically and emotionally, provides me with peace and well-being. The challenges of raising a special needs child are lessened with the services of NWSRA."

NWSRA Parent from Arlington Heights

"Vincent has made huge strides this year! He can play with other children now, focus better, and even cleans up all his toys without being asked. I am very happy and grateful for the program and assistance he receives."

NWSRA Parent from Hoffman Estates

"As a working parent... NWSRA's transportation is a necessity. The programs held during school days off and camps are vital to me being able to work. We need the transportation for these programs."

NWSRA Parent from Wheeling

*Thank you for making
their dreams a reality!*

