

**Revolution  
Speaker's  
Bureau**

# Fall Newsletter

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Well hello Fall! I am so excited to be writing this as I think about Thanksgiving and all that I am thankful for. First I want to thank my hubby and kiddos. I'm gone many nights and weekends with Revolution and they are always so supportive of me. Secondly, I want thank Revolution. You inspire me every day and I am so proud of all the time and effort you put into this mission to end violence. Thirdly, I want to thank our community. This has

been a hard year for Revolution, financially speaking, and I have felt the love and support of this amazing place that we live in!

I am so excited for Cookies & Caroling on December 6th. I want to thank the following families for bidding on us at the Summer Sizzle: Rick and Kathi Hurner, Jeff and Janie Schneider, Phil and Mary Raimondo, and John and Marlene Cimpl. Your continued support means the world to us!

Once again, in the

spirit of Thanksgiving, may we all take a moment to consider our blessings. Thank you to the parents who are raising incredibly smart and compassionate leaders. Your children remind me that we do make a difference and that each of us has a responsibility to help one another. I hope



## Hannah's Headquarters

Wow, this year is really just flying by. I just finished musical last week and so now I feel like I can finally breathe and concentrate on Revolution. Musical was even better because so many other Revolution members were in it. It was fun to experience that with them. I am super excited for Thanksgiving break and Christmas

break to be here, even though I'm not looking forward to the weather. I have to walk from school to the Center, and that's not so much fun when it's freezing. I have to say that I really loved the November Monthly Meeting. It was the first time I planned and carried

out a game all by myself! I was nervous but everyone really seemed to have fun and work as a team. It was awesome. I can't believe fall is almost over and we have already had a little snow. Everything is moving so fast but I am so happy to be a part of Revolution and all its craziness!



# Revolution Fall Activities!

Revolution has been busy this fall with its many activities.

Our very first Revolution event this fall was the Sammy's Superheroes Glow Gold Event held on September 12th. We helped with some set up for the event and we did a lot of face painting for kids. I think I personally painted about 50 yellow ribbons and Sammy's Superheroes symbols for kids, and I loved every second of it.

Revolution hosted our annual "Friends & Family" presentation on September 20th. This year it was held at Immanuel Lutheran School. For several of us, this was the first time we had ever presented. I thought that it was a huge success and it was also a great opportunity to share with our parents and non-theater Revolution members what school presentations look like.

On October 1st, Revolution helped the Center host the annual Domestic Violence Vigil. This event was incredibly moving as we honored victims of domestic violence. We also listened to a speaker who shared the story of her best friend, Kelsey Miller, who was murdered by husband last year. Kelsey was from Columbus so her story hit particularly close to home.

October 3rd, Revolution helped with the Columbus Hospital "We can Run, Walk, & Roll." There were many cute little kids there that wanted their faces painted. We painted footballs and butterflies but of course with Jenny there- Olafs and Baymaxes were all the rage.

On October 4th we had our monthly meeting. I always enjoy our meetings because it's one of the only times we all get together. We had most of our members present that night and Abbie and I were really happy about that.

On October 20th, we presented for FCCLA at CCC in Columbus. We presented to 370 youth from many different schools across Nebraska. Since this was my first presentation in front of students, I was really excited. We did a great job and the students were really interactive with us.

Revolution hosted the "Fall Festival" on October 22nd, which is one of my very favorite events! We do this every year at Schuyler High School inviting all the elementary age students and their parents. We provided many games including "Duck, Duck, Goose," "Bean-bag Toss," musical chairs, face painting, coloring, and a tattoo station. It was a blast because so many people from the community attended and I can't wait for next year.

On November 3rd, Revolution presented to Fullerton Jr/Sr High. The students were really involved with the presentation and we received great feedback on our evaluations. Abbie even heard from a parent that her kids couldn't stop talking about it!

On November 8th, we had our monthly meeting. This meeting meant so much to me because it was the first time I

ever planned a game on my own -without Savannah. I was super nervous but it ended up being a huge hit. Abbie and I were laughing so hard when we watched who could do the most summersaults in 30 seconds! I was impressed with all the great teamwork and I always love when we can laugh together.

As you can see, Fall was filled with many fun activities. I'm looking forward to all we have coming up, so let's bring on Winter!



## True or False fun facts about... yours truly **ABBIE TESSENDORF!!!!**

### True or False...

1. She loves the smell of White Out.

2. She once had her belly button pierced.

3. Her favorite drink from Starbucks is a Carmel Macchiato.

4. She loves to swim.

5. She does not like pizza.

6. She use to have a dog named Snappy.

7. Her whole life she wanted to be a teacher.

8. She married her high school sweetheart.

9. She doesn't have a favorite color.

10. When she was young she tried to dye her hair blond using lemon juice.

11. She has never been in a theater production.

Answers– 1. True 2. False  
3. False 4. True 5. True  
6. False 7. False 8. False  
9. True 10. True 11. True

## Upcoming Events

Sunday, December 6th: Revolution Christmas Party and Cookies and Caroling @ 4pm at the Center

Thursday, December 10th: West Point Catholic and West Point Public Presentations @ TBA

Sunday, January 10th: Mandatory Monthly Meeting @ 7pm at the Center

Wednesday, January 13th: Cross County Presentation @ 1:15pm

Tuesday, January 26th: Neligh–Oakdale Presentation @TBA

