



The Courage To Speak® Foundation

“Saving Lives by Empowering Youth to be Drug Free”

Ginger Katz, CEO & Founder

The Courage To Speak Foundation's 22nd Year in Mission to Save Lives and Educate Youth & Parents

Dear Friends:

Welcome and thank you for attending the 14th Annual Courage to Speak Empowering Youth to be Drug-Free Family Night.

It's about one thing – bringing children and parents together to talk openly and honestly about the dangers of drugs.

We know the pain of watching drugs take a child's life. The Courage to Speak Foundation exists to prevent another family from feeling the heartbreak of losing a child. We want you to see and feel the danger that is present before it becomes a disaster.

How I wish this night - this gathering - was available when my son Ian was still alive.

A drug overdose killed him. He was only 20.

We've told Ian's story to hundreds of thousands of parents and children here in Connecticut and across the nation. January marked our 22nd year in our mission to save young lives and keep children safe from drugs.

We know that the Courage to Speak live presentations, videos, *Sunny's Story* book and drug prevention curriculum your child participated in this year have saved lives.

Students tell us after each program "I'll never do drugs. I didn't really know how bad they could be." We're here to help you make sure your children get this message in their heart as soon as possible, and before it's too late.

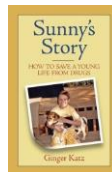
So enjoy the evening, be proud of what the children have accomplished, learn everything you can about drugs and how they can affect children. And, in the future, sign up for our program called Courage to Speak® - Courageous Parenting 101®, "Parenting Through the Opioid Crisis and Beyond™", available in English and Spanish, for parents only.

*Please don't endure the pain we did —
and thank you for taking this step towards saving your child's life and achieving the mission we all share:*

Saving lives by empowering youth to be drug free and encouraging parents to communicate effectively with their children about the dangers of drugs.

Ginger Katz

CEO and Founder and Author of *Sunny's Story*



**Don't forget to pick up your signed copy
of *Sunny's Story* in the lobby tonight!**

P.S. Your support in buying **raffle tickets** is deeply appreciated. I hope, in the future, we can count on you to become a friend of the Courage To Speak Foundation by volunteering, making a donation or coming to our every year. Our young people need you.

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The 14th Annual Courage To Speak® Empowering Youth To Be Drug Free Family Night

Tuesday, March 20, 2018

**5:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.
Dinner and Display of Student Posters and Letters**

6:20 p.m. – Raffle Drawing and Announcement
In the Cafeteria
By Larry Katz and Norwalk Chief of Police, Thomas Kulhawik

6:30 p.m. Program
In the Auditorium

Introduction

Peter J. Corbett, Chairman of the Courage to Speak Foundation Board of Directors

Emcee for the Evening

Mr. Joseph Vellucci, Principal of Roton Middle School

Guest Speaker

Steven Hernández, Esq.,
Executive Director for the Commission on Women, Children and Seniors

THE COURAGE TO SPEAK PRESENTATION

Ginger Katz, CEO and Founder of the Courage to Speak Foundation

“Dear Child” Letter

Read by Larry Katz, Co-Founder

Speakers

Mayor Harry Rilling
Superintendent of Norwalk Schools, Dr. Steven Adamowski
Norwalk Chief of Police, Thomas Kulhawik

Student Presentations

The Courage To Speak Volunteer Award 2018

Mariela Schriel

The Courage To Speak Leadership Awards 2018

Sunny's Story Book Signing and Chat in Lobby

Thank you to all of our sponsors, friends, committee members, volunteers, board members, teachers, principals, students, parents, and other supporters of the Courage to Speak Foundation.

**A special thank you to Mr. Joseph Vellucci, Principal of Roton Middle School,
for hosting tonight's event.**

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