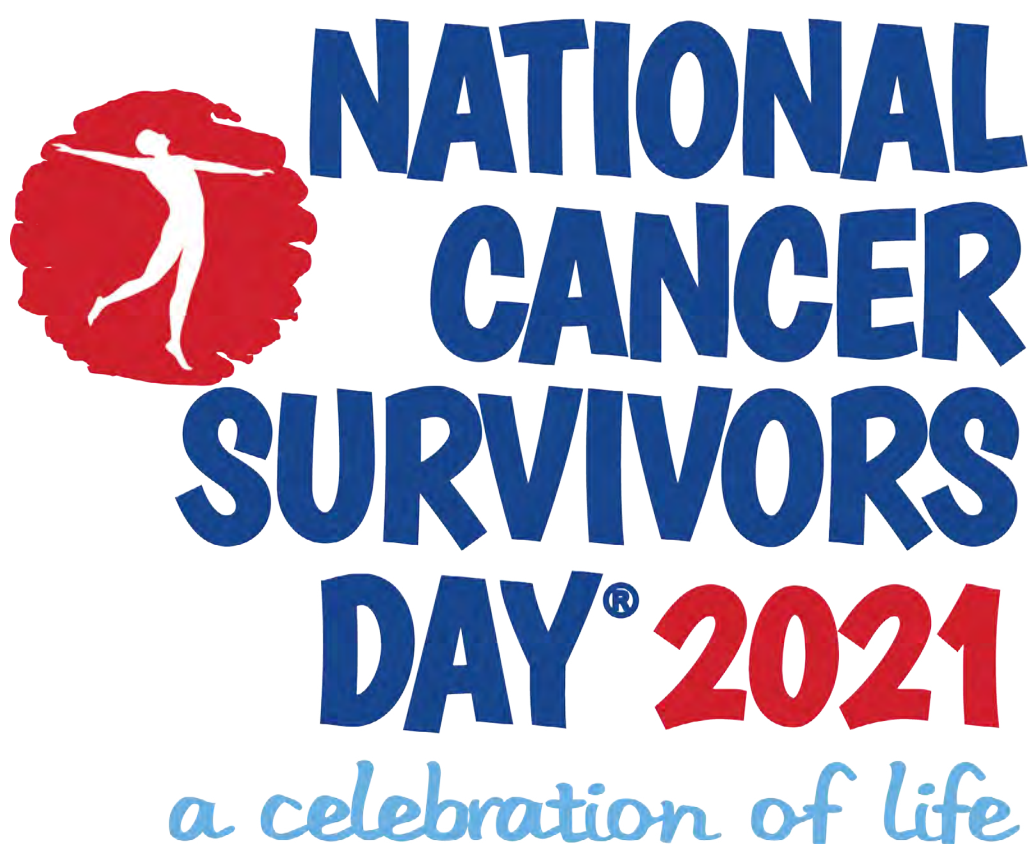


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Nathan is an eight-time Olympic medalist with five gold medals. As an Honors graduate from the University of California at Berkeley, Nathan is a well-versed and charismatic speaker. He was chosen as Captain of the US Olympic Swim team by his peers in 2016, 2017, and 2018. Nathan is involved with the USA Swimming Foundation, Make A Splash, and Swim Across America which benefits those needing pancreatic cancer treatment. In early 2019, Nathan recovered from testicular cancer to return to competition. He took gold and silver at the 2019 World Championships in South Korea and quickly followed those wins by capturing five medals at the PanAm Games in Peru.

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Lori Allen is the star of the hit TLC reality show *Say Yes to the Dress Atlanta* which is in its 11th season on the network. In 2012, Lori made the courageous decision to share her personal battle with breast cancer in the TLC special *Say Yes to the Cure: Lori's Fight*, which won the 2013 Realscreen Award for Best Health & Well Being Programming. Lori's true-to-life depiction of her struggle to beat the disease is now used as a cancer education tool as she continues to inspire women around the world. Lori's role as a bridal expert, TV personality, and breast cancer survivor has led to features by top-tier media outlets. Lori's book *Say Yes to What's Next* chronicles her breast cancer journey and offers advice for women over 45.

RALPH AND BARBARA ALTEROWITZ

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Ralph Alterowitz is the author of *The Lovin' Ain't Over: The Couple's Guide to Better Sex After Prostate Disease and Intimacy with Impotence: The Couple's Guide to Better Sex After Prostate Disease*.

ROBERTA ALTMAN

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Discover the surprisingly common risk factors of cancer, as well as which foods help fight the possibility of cancer. Roberta Altman also discusses why some dietary changes are preferable to supplements and provides easy-to-follow food preparation and cooking tips. Roberta is a breast cancer survivor and the author of *Waking Up, Fighting Back: The Politics of Breast Cancer, The Cancer Dictionary, and Every Woman's Handbook for Preventing Cancer: More Than 100 Ways to Reduce Your Risk*.

GREG ANDERSON

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The old saying "you are what you eat" has never been more important than when you are fighting cancer. Greg Anderson, a 20+ year survivor of a 30-days-to-live lung cancer diagnosis, knows this to be true. Refusing to accept the hopelessness of

his doctor's prognosis, Anderson found and interviewed over 16,000 people who were still living even though their doctors had told them they were "terminal." Eight out of ten survivors questioned made self-described major shifts in dietary and nutritional practices. Food is seen as part of a total treatment plan. Anderson focuses on the "people side" of cancer. He emphasizes a whole-person approach to getting well again.

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Jack was 15 years old when, after losing a close family friend to pancreatic cancer, he invented an inexpensive and sensitive dipstick-like sensor for the rapid and early detection of pancreatic, ovarian, and lung cancers. The innovative technology earned him the 2012 Gordon E. Moore Award, the top prize at the Intel International Science and Engineering Fair, which is considered the world's largest pre-college science research competition. Prior to developing his test, the determined teenager was turned down by 199 labs before finally being endorsed by Dr. Anirban Maitra at Johns Hopkins School of Medicine. Jack speaks around the world to audiences of all ages, and is the author of *Breakthrough: How One Teen Innovator Is Changing the World*. He is a student at Stanford University, class of 2020.

ERIN ANDREWS

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While at the top of her cancer with no limits in sight, Erin Andrews was shocked when she was diagnosed with cervical cancer following a routine annual check-up. Not wanting the diagnosis to interfere with the career she had fought so hard for, Andrews quietly planned doctors' visits around her work schedule in order to keep her diagnosis private and kept moving full speed ahead during treatment, only sharing her story publicly after she received word she was cancer free. Poignantly, she shares her journey overcoming cervical cancer and the importance of using her voice to advocate for testing and support for cancer patients.

DR. JENNIFER ARNOLD

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Known for her role on TLC's reality show, *The Little Couple*, Jen and her family opened their lives to television audiences even as she struggled with a diagnosis of cancer. Jen completed her undergraduate degrees at the University of Miami, her medical degree at Johns Hopkins School of Medicine, and her Master of Science in Medical Education from the University of Pittsburgh. She is Board Certified in both Pediatric and Neonatal Medicine. She has spoken both nationally and internationally, has received numerous awards, and is an active member of the American Academy of Pediatrics, Academic Pediatric Association, and Society for Simulation in Healthcare. Dr. Arnold is currently the medical director of the Simulation Center at Texas Children's Hospital and is an Assistant Professor of Pediatrics.

EMORY AUSTIN

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A 20+ year survivor of breast cancer, Emory speaks regularly to financial, insurance, and government agencies. She is the host of *Wellness, and You*, which features shows promoting wellness. Topics include nutrition, substance abuse, eye care, sleep disorders, implant dentistry, pharmaceutical legislation, cancer, psychological fitness, dyslexia, job stress, grief counseling, and plastic surgery, among others.

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Chris, an Art Director for Disney Animation (Monsters at Work), was diagnosed with acute myeloid leukemia in 2005. Post treatment, he began drawing an animal each day as a form of therapeutic healing, calling it *The Daily Zoo – Keeping the Doctor at Bay with a Drawing a Day*. Five published books and over 5,300 drawings later, the project is in its 15th year. In heartwarming and humorous fashion he tells the story of his journey and how powerful creativity can be in the healing process. Chris encourages audiences to celebrate the gift of each healthy day by embracing their passions and exploring their individual creativity.

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Paul Azinger is a 12-time PGA Tour winner, Major Champion (1993 PGA Champion) and led the victorious 2008 U.S. Ryder Cup Team. Azinger courageously battled cancer in the prime of his career, returned to the Tour to win the Ben Hogan award and eventually the Winner's Circle. He is the author of *Zinger* and *Cracking the Code*. Azinger created the *Golfplan* iPhone app. He is currently the lead golf analyst for NBC Sports.

ELISE M. BABCOCK-NEEDEL

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With over 25 years of experience in cancer care, Elise gives inspiring, humorous, and informative programs that transform the way people care about themselves and each other. The past president and founder of Cancer Counseling, Elise is the author of the book *When Life Becomes Precious* and has appeared in more than 500 newspapers and magazines, including *American Medical News*, *Mademoiselle*, *Managed Care News*, and *American Health for Women*. Her passion and insights inspire her audiences to prioritize what is important and to turn challenges into triumphs.

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Get the caregiver's perspective. *WebMD* caregiving expert Dave Balch offers specific, usable ideas to help patients and partners cope and stay positive. Dave knows; he's been caregiver for his wife through four bouts with breast cancer since 2002. Medical professionals can earn CE credit, along with a new

perspective on the patient experience. Dave is founder of CopingUniversity.com and DailyStressHacks.com, and author of *Cancer for Two*. Watch two inspiring videos from Dave's presentation at YouTube.com/CopingUniversity. You can also watch a video about Dave produced by *The Wall Street Journal*; link available upon request.

JUSTIN BALDONI

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Actor and filmmaker-with-a-mission, Justin Baldoni's recent film *Clouds* tells the inspiring story of teen Zach Sobiech's cancer battle and his message to live fully every day. The movie, based on the book *Fly a Little Higher* by Laura Sobiech about her son, is an honest, multi-dimensional and empathetic portrayal of a courageous person, and those who love him, coming to terms with a terminal illness. Released in October 2020 and streaming on Disney+, *Clouds* is the latest creation from Baldoni's purpose-driven media company Wayfarer Entertainment, whose mission is to create productions that elevate and speak to the human spirit.

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Larry's paradigm shift is his survivorship. As he was completing his doctorate during seven hospitalizations, cancer left a disability, ending a 25-year teaching career with national acclaim for his work with the disabled. He boasts of being the first cancer survivor inducted into the National Teacher Hall of Fame. His presentations include "Me and My Shadow," "The Sounds of Survivorship," "The Yellow Brick Road of Survivorship," and "Is It a Wonderful Life After Cancer?" He shares the blessings of surviving cancer six times in 23 years in his "Hurting but happy blessed life."

DESHAUNA BARBER

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When Deshauna Barber was crowned Miss USA in 2016 – the first while currently serving in the United States military – her mother cheered her on from home, fighting cancer at the time of the pageant and unable to make the trip to watch her daughter compete. Her life's goal is to inspire and strengthen the people around her. Barber promoted the organization's platform to raise awareness for breast and ovarian cancer during her tenure as Miss USA. After the loss of her mother to lung cancer shortly after the competition, Deshauna's message has been to encourage people to focus on loving yourself and the people around you.

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Khevin Barnes is a male breast cancer survivor, playwright, and speaker. He's a regular contributor to *CURE* magazine with more than 200 essays to date. As an inspirational speaker he is available for cancer events, conventions, nursing conferences, meetings, and seminars – primarily for medical professionals and women's groups. Khevin shares the riveting and revealing story of his "orphan disease," affecting just one in 1,000 men, through comedy, storytelling, medical news and research, and compelling commentary. He is the writer and composer of *Sons of Saint Agatha*, the musical exploring male breast cancer.

THOMAS MICHAEL BAY, PhD

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Dr. Bay is a man on a mission. His life experiences make him uniquely qualified to share a spirit of can-do and can-be with people around the world. His own health challenges and experience with cancer have only deepened his devotion to family, personal values, and creating a life that truly matters in this world. The author of *Walking with the Wise for Health and Vitality* and *Change Your Attitude: Creating Success One Thought at a Time*, Dr. Bay shares the ideas and insights that affect people and performance. His presentation looks at creative ways of dealing with the everyday pressures, conflicts, challenges, and changes that affect your bottom line.

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Vanessa Bayer is best known for her seven seasons of legendary comedy series, *Saturday Night Live*, where she was nominated for an Emmy Award for her hilarious and memorable work. Her widely received and revered children's book, *How Do You Care For A Very Sick Bear?*, is about how friends should be there for other friends experiencing illnesses and trauma. It follows Bayer's own experience of being diagnosed with leukemia when she was 15, and was inspired by her friends and family. She has also received The Gilda Award from Gilda's Club, which benefits people living with cancer.

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At age 25, Justin was diagnosed with stage II testicular cancer. Now in remission, he is committed to getting the ball rolling on raising awareness of men's health and testicular cancer. Though he no longer has the pair he was born with, his new favorite pairing is humor and education. He was recognized as one of 15 People Who Raised Cancer Awareness in 2017, awarded Best Advocacy/Awareness Cancer Blog in 2017, and selected as the Hilarious Patient Leader in the 2018 WEGO Health Awards. Justin shares how we can stop dropping the ball on men's health and how to use humor in awareness, even if it makes you sound like a nut.

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Edel Blumberg is a two-time colon cancer survivor, husband, and father of two daughters. As a child, he was diagnosed with colitis at 13, crohn's disease at 14, and inflammatory bowel disorder at 15. For the following 22 years, he was ashamed of his diagnoses from everyone and lived in a stage of semi-denial. His life-long journey led to a passion to help create and promote outreach, awareness, and education of colon cancer. He knows others can learn from his experience and truly believes that the colon cancer slogan of 'Preventable, Treatable, Beatable' is true. He founded Semi Colon Club to help spread this awareness.

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Rear Admiral Susan J. Blumenthal, MD, MPA, (ret.)

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Courage, leadership, and the power to overcome any obstacle lie within us all: this is the message of Sherry's compelling programs. With a diagnosis of stage IV pancreatic cancer in 1995 and a life expectancy of eight weeks, Sherry discovered the inner resources she needed to battle for survival. Now she shares her hard-won lessons with corporate executives and patients alike, inspiring them to take charge, face the odds, and win. Sherry's story combines strength, compassion, laughter, wisdom, and healing. Her story moves you to make decisions, take back your control, seek balance, and set passionate achievable goals.

JOHN BOOCKVAR

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An internationally known brain surgeon, Dr. John Boockvar is one of the main characters on the hit Netflix docuseries, *Lenox Hill* (2020). This 8-episode docuseries chronicles the lives of four doctors while they manage the daily stresses of medicine with their personal lives. He has been named to the list of "America's Best Doctors for Cancers", his research has been widely published, and he has received numerous national awards including the Eric Lichtenstein Humanitarian Award from Voices Against Brain Cancer for his compassionate work in treating patients with brain cancer.

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Barb is a popular speaker and the author of three books, including her latest, *Every Time I Turn Around, God Whispers in My Ear!* A diagnosis of breast cancer could have shaken her foundation, but she approached that obstacle as she does everything: by trusting that God would take care of her and by finding something to laugh about. She reaches out to encourage those going through similar challenges. Barb shares that God has not abandoned you, there is life after cancer, a positive attitude and sense of humor are a must in order to thrive rather than just survive, and God can take health concerns and use them for His purposes.

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Jacqueline has worked in the cosmetic industry for 25+ years and founded the Brandwynne Corporation to develop the health and beauty products that women deserve: honest, real, effective, and safe. She works to help restore women's beauty when they experience changes that adversely affect the skin, changes in the body that can cause temporary skin disruptions, and changes due to environmental exposure.

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NANCY BRINKER

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As one of the world's foremost cancer advocates, Nancy Brinker is a three-decade cancer survivor and catalyst of the global grassroots breast cancer movement. She inspires cancer patients and their families to win their personal war with this devastating disease. Nancy's journey began with a simple promise to her dying sister, Susan G. Komen, that she would do everything possible to end the shame, pain, fear, and hopelessness caused by cancer. In one generation, the organization that bears Susan's name has changed the world.

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Jane E. Brody's award-winning personal health column is published in *The New York Times*' Science Times section every Tuesday and in many other newspapers around the country. She is a much-sought-after speaker who lectures frequently to both lay and professional audiences on issues relating to health and wellness, including cancer prevention, coping with breast cancer, and surviving and thriving after cancer.

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Bessie Brown is a four-time breast cancer survivor with a zest for life. Her fourth diagnosis was metastatic, something that people often think is a death sentence, but for Bessie, she took it as a push to enjoy life even more. Bessie is always open to talking to anyone who has been diagnosed with cancer. Her role as an optician working with patients from all diversities and walks of life has led to her inspiring many people. She has much to offer to someone hearing those four awful words, "You have breast cancer."

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So there she was, in the midst of rehearsal with six of the original Dean Martin Goldiggers, getting ready for a sold-out tour with comedian Jonathon Winters. They were having a blast – their kids were grown, their husbands retiring, and they had reunited and were back on the road after 40 years, much to the delight of their fans. Then Suzy got the news – she had breast cancer, and would need a double mastectomy, chemo, and radiation. So she joined the club of which they do not want any new members. Suzy tells the story of her battle, of overcoming the odds, and winning with gratitude and humor. And about being down to one eyelash and still putting mascara on it!

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When diagnosed with cancer at only 18 years of age, Joe was certain he was living on borrowed time. Joe accepted the inevitable and committed to study the simple, common, timeless human truths about life. Joe’s journey led him to become an authority on how the mind works, and how that understanding can ignite lasting transformation in individuals and entire organizations. Joe is the author of *The Power of Losing Control*, a popular keynote speaker, and strategic advisor to leaders looking to apply Joe’s insights to transform their leadership teams and organizations.

ROGER AND KATHY CAWTHON

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Former CNN sportscaster Roger Cawthon and author and photographer Kathy Cawthon provide encouragement and support to cancer survivors, their family

members and friends, and the medical professionals who care for them by offering a series of uplifting programs. Diagnosed with cancer within six weeks of each other, this husband-and-wife team celebrated their survival by completing the grueling Marine Corps Marathon. Their frankly hilarious take on the world of medicine blends seamlessly with a powerful message that energizes and inspires audiences to laugh, love, and live in the moment, every moment.

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DIANE LANE CHAMBERS

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As a breast cancer survivor and advocate, Diane has participated in a number of National Breast Cancer Coalition’s Advocacy Trainings in Washington D.C., and Lobby Days on Capitol Hill. She attended the Breast Cancer Symposium and graduated from the Breast Cancer Patient Advocate Program. Diane gives presentations with newly diagnosed women as part of the Reach to Recovery Program. She is the author of several books, including *Hearing the Stream: A Survivor’s Journey Into the Sisterhood of Breast Cancer*.

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On the morning of her 32nd birthday, Lenor Madruga was a model, radio personality, wife, and mother of two when she discovered a hard lump in her groin and subsequently underwent a hemipelvectomy: removal of her left leg and hip. Her victorious story is an inspiration to all who face physical or emotional trauma. Author of the books *One Step at a Time* and *The Next Leg of My Journey*, Lenor offers hope and inspiration in her motivational lecture series, covering topics such as cancer survival, the feeling of loss, pain, drug addiction, and the ultimate victory of rediscovering life’s many blessings.

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Diagnosed with breast cancer in 1994, Christine Clifford began her own company. Today The Cancer Club is a worldwide producer of humorous and helpful

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CHUCK COTÉ

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Chuck Coté is a dynamic speaker who inspires people to "Expect the Best" despite how difficult the challenge may seem. Chuck was a professional speaker when he was diagnosed with an advanced stage of throat cancer, and the outlook was grim. He became part of a clinical trial and underwent intensive chemotherapy and radiation treatments to beat the disease. Audiences are encouraged and empowered by Chuck's optimistic message of hope and perseverance.

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Registered pharmacist Mike Craycraft suddenly went from healthcare provider to patient after receiving a testicular cancer diagnosis. He provides heartfelt insight into what it was like to remain silent about his diagnosis for seven months, what it took to accept his condition, the importance of self-advocacy, and what it's like to really live after a cancer diagnosis. He founded the Testicular Cancer Society, is a Mentor Angel with Imerman Angels, a 4th Angel Mentor with the Cleveland Clinic, a Research and Community Outreach Fellow for the Male Wellness Collective, and a myCancerConnection volunteer for the MD Anderson Cancer Center.

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Disney, Marvel, and ESPN celebrity voice actor Kat Cressida was told in 2012 she would not survive the deadly sarcoma nestled under her brain, and if she did, she would never speak again. Undeterred, this 1 in 10 million survivor underwent massive facial reconstruction and rehabilitation and is now dedicated to using her famous voice as a keynote speaker and patient advocate. With her recent trauma recovery TEDx Talk going viral, Kat is leveraging her incredible triumph over cancer to inspire, uplift, and change coverage within the healthcare system. Kat is an ambassador for MakeCancerLessScary.com and a proud member of SurvivorNet.com.

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Diagnosed with Hodgkin's lymphoma in 1972, at the age of 15, Erin was treated with cobalt radiation and MOPP chemotherapy. She was cured of cancer but was left with serious long-term effects including infertility, heart and lung disease, thyroid cancer, and the very tough decision to remove both of her breasts. She has had over a dozen surgeries and jokes that she has more spare parts than an auto body shop. However, Erin has gone on to receive a graduate degree in Social Work, has completed seven marathons, and is a married mother to four adopted children. She also founded Hodgkin's International, an organization that supports and empowers Hodgkin's lymphoma survivors.

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Conor Cunneen is a Chicago-based Irishman and two-time cancer survivor. Having had a thyroidectomy and a prostatectomy, Conor now has an Irish condition known as "There's not much left-o-me!" Giving thanks everyday for the great care he received, his mission is to leave survivors and caregivers with a smile on their face, a spring in their step, and memorable actionable takeaways to a better and more fulfilling life. Elmhurst Hospital writes: "Conor was a pleasure to work with. I would wholeheartedly recommend him." NCH writes: "You captivated the crowd with your clear, fun message - everyday each of us holds the power to determine our attitude, goals, and behavior."

MARGARET I. CUOMO, MD

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Dr. Margaret Cuomo is a board-certified radiologist, teaching professional, and a national advocate for the prevention of cancer. Her book *A World Without Cancer: The Making of a New World and the Real Promise of Prevention* presents a provocative and surprising look into the ways that profit, personalities, and politics obstruct real progress in the war on cancer. This groundbreaking book, based on her own firsthand experience with cancer patients, has been described as "urgent and powerful," "an eye-opening look at the way we fight cancer," and a "call for bold leadership to transform our system from treatment to prevention."

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Judith, a P.T. clinical specialist in chronic pain, received a diagnosis of Multiple Myeloma with no clear treatment path and a limited life expectancy at age 58. This serious, yet often funny show, demonstrates her transition from provider to patient and lessons this role reversal may have for others. Much of her motivation for writing and performing this piece comes from the way the media portrays cancer heroes and cancer miracles. She presents options other than the fighting model. In the course of the show, using actual conversations, Judith portrays her interactions with the medical establishment in hopes that there can be a better understanding of the journey and choices faced by a person with a catastrophic diagnosis.

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Tracy DeGraaf is an author, speaker, standup comedian, and breast cancer survivor whose message is "Get Your Dumb Mammo!" Since her diagnosis in 2015, DeGraaf has encouraged women everywhere to get their recommended screenings. Her one-woman comedy show "Cancer Happens, Laugh Anyway" has entertained audiences nationwide with over an hour of laughter followed by the true story of how a routine mammogram diagnosed her at stage I, saving not only her life, but also saving her a lot of unnecessary suffering. Her Chicago-area community outreach program is funny, educational, and motivational.

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Hank is a survivor, advocate, and motivational speaker

who will challenge you to take control of, or be controlled by, your health, medical team, and caregivers. A survivor of inoperable head and neck cancer, Hank hopes to help you understand orphan cancers, show you how to thrive through life's challenges, inspire you to pay it back, and motivate you to be actively involved in your own life outcomes as well as those of others. Will you take the challenge? Hank is a survivor of three primary cancers: oral, head, and neck (OHNC); prostate; and skin. He also leads an OHNC support group. An accomplished athlete his entire life, Hank was diagnosed with polio at age eight.

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Claire finds the silver lining after being diagnosed with stage II invasive breast cancer with zero family history. After the 29-year-old's cancer treatment and difficult decisions regarding fertility and relationships with her body, she depicts true light-hearted life lessons learned from her cancer treatment. Claire is a kindergarten teacher who started the blog, *Perkybits: A Boobie Journey*, while undergoing treatment. She has shared her story with young women's groups in her area and written a book that she hopes will become an inspirational resource for young women undergoing cancer treatment.

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Katie Doble is a patient advocate, writer, motivational speaker, and 8-year stage IV ocular melanoma cancer thriver. She brings vulnerability, humor, and grace to the stage as she shares her stories of grief, shame, and fear and how, after being faced with her own mortality, she went from her own worst critic to her own biggest fan. In 2017, Doble was given the Courage Award from the Melanoma Research Foundation. UCHealth, University of Colorado Hospital said of Doble's talk, "Katie came to speak to us, and we were all simply floored. She's magnetic, infectious, REAL, and so inspirational. Her honesty, her story, and her perspective helped each of us look inside ourselves in a way I don't believe we otherwise would."

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Hilarious and inspiring, this two-time cancer survivor/comedian rocks the house and gets raves whenever he

speaks: "Mack was absolutely wonderful! Clear, funny, a great message for cancer survivors!" (Blumenthal Center). "Our group loved him!" (Parrish Medical Center). "Fabulous! Next day I got more calls raving about the program than I ever have!" (Torrance Memorial). "Entertaining, knowledgeable, an excellent fit for our audience!" (Mary Babb Randolph Center). "Terrific speaker ... enlightening, humorous, relevant ... and a pleasure to work with!" (Carle Clinic).

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LINDA ELLERBEE

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Journalist, award-winning television producer, and author, Linda Ellerbee describes her own journey through cancer, from the devastation of diagnosis, the loss of both breasts, walking through the dark valley of chemo, wrestling with the fear of death – and how good it feels to be on the right side of the grass 30 years later. She talks of dealing with the medical profession, family, and friends – all of whom, even when well intentioned, occasionally seem misguided or absurd, if not downright silly. She encourages women to become partners in their treatment, to stand up for themselves, to make a big noise, and fight back.

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Funny! Inspiring! Motivational! “Brenda Elsagher connects with each audience member. She speaks words of encouragement, all with a twist of humor and fun. She shared her battle with cancer, instilling hope and providing coping mechanisms through laughter,” says Rush University Medical Center. “Thank you, Brenda, for making our Cancer Survivors Day a happy and memorable event. Your lighthearted approach to dealing with life on life’s terms is truly admirable,” says Good Samaritan Hospital, NY. “Brenda Elsagher intertwines her story with humor. It’s a story that all survivors can relate to, know it is real and from the heart,” states L.C. of Middlesex Hospital, CT, Cancer Center.

EMME

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With a career that spans more than two decades as a leading voice and face in the fashion industry, Emme is the iconic first plus size supermodel. A lymphoma survivor, as well as a TV personality, mom, author, and entrepreneur, Emme speaks on how to talk to your children when you are faced with a life and health crisis; how to understand that beauty is not skin deep; and how to navigate family, friends, and “life” when you never thought cancer would be part of it. Emme also discusses her personal journey through cancer and the necessity of creating a network to keep things moving along in a positive manner.

JOANNE L. ESTES

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Joanne’s upbeat, enthusiastic style is contagious. Drawing upon years of experience in corporate management and sales, she speaks from a platform of demonstrated accomplishment on leadership and people development. Her spirited message embraces positive attitudes, self-belief, and visionary thinking. She is the author of *Amazing Women, Amazing*

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JIM FANNIN

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Cancer survivor and life coach Jim Fannin is called the “World’s #1 Coach of Champions.” He provides concrete, proven, 90-second tools and techniques to slow down the aging process, recover more swiftly from injury or disease, and provide a blueprint for a quality life of simplicity, balance, and overall great wellness. His keynote has been presented to healthcare executives, hospital administrators, nurses, cancer patients, caregivers, and audiences seeking the secrets to a simple, balanced, and healthy lifestyle.

BRENDA FEIGEN

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Feminist activist, attorney, constitutional scholar, film producer, former William Morris motion picture agent, and breast cancer survivor, Brenda Feigen has much to say on law, health, and women in America. Former Chair of the Board of The National Breast Cancer Education and Legal Center, Ms. Feigen has had the privilege of working closely with two of today’s female icons: Gloria Steinem and Ruth Bader Ginsburg. She founded the National Women’s Political Caucus and *Ms.* magazine with Gloria and directed the Women’s Rights Project of the ACLU with the late Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg.

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ERIC ANTHONY GALVEZ

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Eric Galvez is a young physical therapist who became someone he was trained to help – a brain tumor survivor. He has a very unique perspective on the rehab process to share with survivors, healthcare students, and healthcare professionals. Eric's experience on both sides of the patient-medical professional relationship offers a witty, educational, and personal perspective on a very intimidating situation. He has lectured at many universities and hospitals across the country about the unique issues faced by young brain tumor survivors.

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LOLA D. GILLEBAARD

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Lola Gillebaard helps people recognize the power of

humor, applying it to live a healthier, happier, more productive life. Individuals learn to strengthen their relationships while lightening up the workplace. Lola leaves attendees with techniques that are applicable on the job and in their personal lives. Lola is fun and funny, a humorist and cancer survivor who believes that creating sparkle enhances life. She is the recipient of the *Reader's Digest* Writers Award. Lola has witnessed the magic of laughter's healing through her own cancer battle. Her presentations are informative, entertaining, and tailored to your needs.

WENDY GLADNEY

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Diversity is the fact or quality of being diverse: difference. Understanding each other's differences means respecting each other's individuality while enjoying a variety in the workplace. Ethnicity is just one component that makes up diversity. We must not stereotype others based on one individual. Inclusion and tolerance of all employees and individuals is important for the success of any company. Diagnosed with cancer, Wendy Gladney speaks on topics such as "Healing Without Hate: How to Forgive to Live," "Overcoming Diversity," and "Turning Stumbling Blocks into Stepping Stones."

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Award-winning singer-songwriter Eric Gneзда hosts the national TV series, *Songs at the Center*, which airs on more than 300 PBS stations, bringing inspirational stories and music to audiences across the country. Eric weaves music, stories, and humor into presentations that entertain and inspire. His anthem, *Blossoms of Hope*, is a favorite among cancer survivors, caregivers, and health professionals. Eric has addressed the American Cancer Society, Oncology Nursing Society, and the World Gathering on Bereavement, among others. He has also written for numerous publications, including *Today's Caregiver* and *USA Today*.

DR. JOEL GOODMAN

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Dr. Goodman, founder of The HUMOR Project, has presented in all 50 states and on all seven continents. Joel has authored 10 books, including *Laffirmations: 1,001 Ways to Add Humor to Your Life and Work* and edits the free *Laughing Matters* monthly e-zine. He started AHA! (American Humor Association): 165,000 people who believe in the positive power of humor. Recipient of the International Lifetime of Laughter Award, Joel's pioneering work has been featured in 7,000 TV and radio shows, newspapers, and magazines in 175 countries. He is renowned for his learning-chocked, laughter-charged, life-changing programs.

BILL GOSS

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Bill Goss reminds your audience how lucky they really are, encouraging them to look for the good in a bad situation. He has experienced several "close calls," including a mining accident, a tremendous car crash, and being diagnosed with a rare form of cancer. Through his adversities, he has remained positive, and he considers himself lucky and blessed. Cancer-free for 15 years, Bill teaches people how to be optimistic with his three helpful tips: 1) don't confuse a tragedy with an adversity, 2) don't let fear and anger get the best of you, and 3) the "5 F's of Fulfillment" – family, friends, faith, focus, and fun.

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As a teacher, visual and performing artist, domestic abuse and cancer survivor, Martina delivers powerful inspiration through speaking and speed painting that highlight insights and experiences throughout and after her battle with ovarian cancer. Having discovered the powerful healing effect of art on a personal level, she now works with others in private and group settings to help in their healing processes through painting. Teaching a new skill – mindfulness and "Living a Life on Purpose" – others with PTSD or mental illnesses are then able to focus on healing without the constant distractions to busy minds.

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Janelle Hail is a breast cancer survivor of 30+ year who relates to women with compassion, understanding, and inspiration as she conducts public educational programs across the nation. Janelle speaks to corporations, associations, organizations, women's groups, and homeless shelters, educating women about breast cancer.

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As a child, Andrew had cancer twice and was given a 35 percent chance to survive. Even though he lost part of his right leg, Andrew never let that define him. He is a living reminder that no matter what negative events may happen in your life, you can always try to turn them into something positive. Featured in the film *A Day Without Cancer* (www adaywithoutcancer.ca), Andrew is a former world-class, world record-setting Paralympic swimmer, having won gold medals at the 1998 and 2002 World Championships and the 2000 Paralympic Games. He is also a successful businessman who continues to work with the best and brightest in the performance excellence field.

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SCOTT HAMILTON

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One of the most popular figure skating stars in the world today, Scott Hamilton is an Olympic Gold Medalist, motivational speaker, television broadcaster, author, humanitarian, cancer survivor, and eternal optimist. His motto is “The only disability in life is a bad attitude.” As a keynote speaker, Scott exudes enthusiasm and inspiration. As a role model, he contradicts the saying that “good guys finish last.” But, more importantly, as a champion and survivor, he is a constant reminder that with faith, fortitude, and determination, anything is possible.

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Wendy S. Harpham, MD, is a 30-year survivor, renowned leader in survivorship, and award-winning author of books and articles, including “View from the Other Side of the Stethoscope” (*Oncology Times*). She enjoys virtual keynoting. Since the release of *Healing Hope* and the free e-book *Finding Hope That Heals*, Dr. Harpham’s most requested keynotes have focused on how to find hope that helps you live your best life. Her personal story of survival against the odds illustrates how healing hope can help all patients become “Healthy Survivors” – namely, patients who get good care and live as fully as possible every day.

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Samantha Harris is a seasoned entertainment journalist and Emmy-winning TV host, health and fitness expert, and certified personal trainer who is best known as one of the hosts of *Entertainment Tonight* and for her 8-season run as co-host of *Dancing With the Stars*. In 2014, Samantha was diagnosed with stage II invasive breast cancer. Three surgeries later, she is cancer-free. Her diagnosis led her and her husband to create GottaMakelLemonade.com. As a speaker, she inspires audiences by encouraging them to be their own best health advocate, and to never take “no” for an answer. Samantha is the author of *Your Healthiest Healthy: 8 Easy Ways to Take Control; Help Prevent and Fight Cancer; and Live a Longer, Cleaner, Happier Life*.

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“Fire Up Your Healing!” is a unique presentation that inspires audiences worldwide to be survivors. Donna Hartley survived a DC-10 plane crash, stage III melanoma, and open-heart surgery, coincidentally each occurring on a March 1. She knew there must be a lesson to be learned. She shares her “Perfect Plan,” a 10-step program on how to survive and thrive during a health crisis. Laugh, cry, and be motivated to change because you are worth it. Her story has been featured on ABC, PBS, CBS, and in *The New York Times*. She is the author of the books *Fire Up Your Life!*, *Fire Up Your Intuition!*, and *Fire Up Your Healing!*

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TOM HAYES

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Tom Hayes is a master storyteller and life motivator. With great resilience and undying determination forged out of the experience of losing a leg to cancer during childhood, Tom has a compelling history to share with his audiences. A world traveler, extreme sports enthusiast, entrepreneur, and proud father of two successful daughters, Tom epitomizes a “can-do” approach to life’s challenges. For over 20 years, Tom has maintained a second career as a first-rate standup comedian, humorist, and speaker. He combines his offbeat sense of humor with practical advice for winning the game of life.

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The author of *At Face Value*, Terry speaks about his triumph over a facially disfiguring cancer. Terry’s powerful story about transformation and appreciation for life inspires myriad corporate, healthcare, educational, and non-profit audiences to face their own challenges, take control of their lives, and learn how to build trust-

ing teams. Terry has spoken on numerous occasions to the American Cancer Society, Cancer Support Community, the Cancer League, the Sarcoma Alliance, and many other cancer-related non-profits. He has been published in *Guideposts*, *CURE*, and *Psychology Today* and has appeared on dozens of TV networks.

ED HEARN

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A “Hall of Famer in the Game of Life,” Ed Hearn fulfilled his dream of playing in the major leagues and winning a World Series, with the New York Mets. Later, with the Kansas City Royals, a serious shoulder injury brought a premature end to his career. Less than six months after his baseball career ended, Ed was diagnosed with three potentially life-threatening health conditions. Today, after three life-saving kidney transplants, years of dialysis, and a successful recovery from cancer, he has come back to live a life that is truly inspirational. An author and speaker, he uplifts and inspires his audiences with a renewed spirit of hope and motivation to pursue victory in all areas of life, no matter the challenge or adversity.

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Author of the inspired book *Living Like a Lady When You Have Cancer*, Donna Heckler is a business executive who was diagnosed with stage III cancer while interviewing for a Fortune 100 global executive position. She took the job, battled cancer, and tried to stay radiant throughout the entire journey. Donna may have you crying and laughing at the same time as she shares tips on taking back control over your life after a cancer diagnosis. A motivating and engaging speaker, she will always leave you inspired to live your best life and to be radiant from the inside out, regardless of where you are on your cancer journey.

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Ruth Heidrich has a PhD in health management. She is a certified fitness trainer and holds three world records for fitness for her age group. She still actively competes in marathons and triathlons, having won more than 900 trophies and medals since her diagnosis of breast cancer in 1982 at age 47. With Terry Shintani, MD, she co-hosts the radio show *Nutrition & You*. She is a founding member and past president of the Vegetarian Society and past president of the Mid-Pacific Road Runners Club. She has won eight gold medals in the Senior Olympics and is the author of the book *A Race For Life*.

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Comedian and breast cancer survivor Jane Hill shares her unique dimension to humor, compassion, and insight in powerful and uplifting presentations, such as “Love, Laughter and Healing,” part of her Keep Laughing to Keep Healthy series. Since 1991, she’s inspired, entertained, and educated thousands nationwide, sharing the physical and psychological benefits of laughter, the role it played in her healing process, and how to find humor in daily life. Featured in *Chicken Soup for the Surviving Soul* and television programs on humor and healing, Jane motivates others to see the lighter side of things and experience laughter and the healing power of humor.

ALAN HOBSON

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World adventurer Alan Hobson reached the top of Mt. Everest, only to find himself at the bottom three years later when he was diagnosed with acute leukemia and given less than a year to live. At diagnosis, 90 percent of the cells in his bone marrow were cancerous. Alan defied the skeptics and made a 100 percent recovery. Today, he is one of less than a few dozen people ever to regain an elite level of fitness after an adult blood stem cell transplant for leukemia – a tiny fraction of the number of people who have climbed Mt. Everest. He is living proof that no mountain, no matter what kind, is insurmountable.

DR. SUSAN HOROWITZ

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Susan Horowitz, “Dr. Sue,” is an “Edu-Tainer,” educator plus entertainer, who offers programs that combine inspiration, keen insights, comedy, and original songs. Her programs include “Laugh Yourself Well” (humor, stress, and health), “It’s a Gas” (a lecture/concert of songs from her one-woman musical about healing your spirit and body, based on her recovery from a medical crisis), and “Success Secrets of Superstar Comedians” (based on her book *Queens of Comedy*, in which she interviewed famous performers). Dr. Sue’s brand of uplifting entertainment and positive message are perfect for survivors who are looking for inspirational fun.

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As “The International Princess of Happiness” and two-time cancer survivor (colorectal and breast), Lauren Hudson is a true inspiration. The Emmy award-winning TV Reporter and author of *A Whole New Happy* shares empowering strategies for facing life’s challenges and creating happiness no matter what. Her humor and heartfelt stories, along with her enthusiasm and authenticity instantly connect with people from all walks of life. When Lauren speaks, audiences listen, laugh, and learn.

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In 2015, on his birthday, Tom was diagnosed with prostate cancer. Having lost his best friend to prostate cancer the year before, he was ready to give up. The first step in his battle was to hold on to his winning mindset. After his surgery, he set goals including the IRONMAN World Championship and walking his daughter down the aisle. Tom has now turned his focus to cancer education and advocacy and helping others dealing with life challenging obstacles. He is a Board member of ZERO Cancer, peer reviewer and mentor for the DoD’s Congressionally Directed Medical Research Programs and board member at the N. TX Prostate Cancer Coalition. Tom authored *THE WINNING MINDSET THAT SAVED MY LIFE*; 100% of the net proceeds benefit cancer research.

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MARGIE INGRAM

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Margie Ingram has been coordinator of 25 international conferences sponsored by the HUMOR Project on “Survive and Thrive: The Positive Power of Humor, Hope and Healing” and is a life coach helping clients coast-to-coast take on life’s challenges by optimizing optimism. Margie shares specific resiliency skills to deal with life stresses: developing comic vision, creating intentional balance in our lives, reframing negative situations, healthy aging with humor, and practicing the art of laughing at ourselves. For over 40 years, Margie has been known as a warm, caring, and engaging speaker who connects directly with her audiences.

MATT ISEMAN

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Renowned as the host of the four-time Emmy-nominated *American Ninja Warrior* and as the winning contestant of the newest *Celebrity Apprentice*, doctor turned comedian, Matt Iseman had life with a chronic disease, rheumatoid arthritis, under control. Then, his health issues had a sequel...cancer. Matt tells the emotional story of dealing with the “Big C”, never losing his sense of humor while being reminded that the advice his dad gave him when he left medicine was absolutely true: “Life IS short, so do what makes you happy.” His battle with renal cell carcinoma has made him a spokesperson for the American Cancer Society.

HOLLYE JACOBS

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Suleika is the author of the Emmy Award-winning *New York Times* Well blog column “Life, Interrupted.” She was diagnosed with leukemia shortly after graduating from Princeton. But cancer didn’t stop her from pursuing her dreams of becoming a writer. Within weeks of her diagnosis, she began writing and videoing her experiences navigating the healthcare system as a young woman with cancer, and at age 23, she became one of the *New York Times*’ youngest journalists. Suleika believes we all have life-interrupted moments; hers happened to be cancer. She also believes it’s not the interruption that matters, but how we cope with it, learn from it, and grow beyond it.

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VICTORIA REGGIE KENNEDY

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Victoria Reggie Kennedy worked tirelessly with White House and congressional leadership to lobby for the passage of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act in 2010, a landmark moment that turned the late Senator Ted Kennedy's dream of passing the long-elusive healthcare reform legislation into reality. Mrs. Kennedy also brings a firsthand perspective to the topic of caregiving and patient advocacy. She speaks frequently to patient and family groups, encouraging them to be advocates for the best medical care they can receive.

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ADAM KLEIN

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Adam Klein is the 2016 winner of the CBS *Survivor: Millennials vs Gen X* reality show competition. He is a lung cancer advocate and a motivational speaker with a rare blend of humor, energy, and an emotionally powerful story. He will challenge the audience to pursue their passions and dreams, find resilience in the face of adversity, and recognize how genuine connections and relationships lead to success. Two days after he returned home from competing on *Survivor*, his mother, Susie, passed away from lung cancer. He is a leading advocate for lung cancer research in memory of his mom. Adam's keynote will leave the audience feeling inspired to reach their greatest potential.

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NOREEN LABATT

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Cancer got the girls, the girls got even. Meet Noreen. She turned a near-death experience into a life-affirm-

ing comedy act. One that will have cancer survivors (and their doctors, nurses, caregivers, and families) rolling in her laughing gas. Diagnosed with breast cancer after her very first mammogram at age 40, Noreen wrote and performs “Thanks for the Mamories,” a brilliantly funny one-woman act that pokes good-natured fun at her medical team and herself – all while sharing personal insights into the cancer journey following diagnosis, a bilateral mastectomy, chemotherapy, and reconstruction.

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Diagnosed with breast cancer in 2012, Kathy spent the next two years blogging about her antics as she blew up pumpkins, threw eggs, and used her bald head to shame bad drivers. She shares her journey with cancer in her book, *Laugh With Kathy*. Kathy entertains audiences by giving them glimpses of what it takes to beat breast cancer using humor and creativity. Laugh

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Valisia LeKae is a Broadway star and award-winning actress and singer. In 2013, she was diagnosed with ovarian cancer at age 34 while starring on Broadway as Diana Ross in *Motown the Musical*, a role which garnered her both a Grammy and a Tony nomination. In 2014, Valisia became the spokesperson for the National Ovarian Cancer Coalition. She has traveled the country to spread awareness about this deadly disease and has been honored by the Ovarian Cancer Research Foundation, Look Good Feel Better, and other major cancer organizations. Now cancer free, Valisia continues to use her voice to educate and inspire others.

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JOAN LUNDEN

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An award-winning television journalist, author, sought-after motivational and keynote speaker, successful entrepreneur, and one of America's most recognized and trusted television personalities, Joan Lunden shares why she decided to go public with her breast cancer battle, what she learned, the breast cancer myths she discovered, and the risk factors women need to know. Lunden takes audiences through the hard decisions she had to make, and the silver linings she came across along the way.

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Through her struggles of chemo, radiation, and facial reconstructive surgery, she never gave up. Her book, *Left With Half Of a Face*, depicts her cancer journey and experience. F.C. Lynn is an author, speaker, parenting coach, retired educator and school district administrator who received a double diagnosis of cancer, on the same day in 2017, from two different doctors. She shares her story to motivate people to 'Focus on GOD and Never Give Up'!

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Diagnosed at a time of job transition, Molly knows what it's like to battle the financial burdens of breast cancer while battling the disease. Without an income, the addition of a monthly \$1300 COBRA premium, led to what is now widely known as cancer-related financial toxicity. Unable to get help, Molly was determined to give help. In 2006, she launched The Pink Fund. As of December 2020, The Pink Fund has made over \$4.6 million in bill payments on behalf of breast cancer patients. Most recently, Molly has been recognized as an AARP Purpose Prize Fellow, Crain's Notable Women in Health, and Eye For Pharma's Patient Champion for North America.

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Rachele Manning's life changed forever when she was diagnosed with breast cancer in April 2013, at the age of 37. Despite a family history of BRCA2-positive status, Rachele never thought she'd get cancer herself. As she entered the world of cancer, she learned quickly that she had to use her own voice to advocate for herself. Sincer her diagnosis, she has enjoyed mentoring other women going through active treatment to advocate for themselves too. In April 2020, Rachele's mom passed away from pancreatic cancer. Knowing that she herself is also at risk for pancreatic cancer, Rachele uses this knowledge to live life to the fullest and that it's not worth sweating the small stuff.

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A soulful soprano, this young operatic artist, Yale graduate, and breast cancer survivor offers a comforting and uplifting brand of speaking and singing. Utilizing her stage experience and unique warmth, this dynamic speaker offers her popular lecture "Battling the High Cs – an Operatic Soprano's Journey Through Career and Cancer." She skillfully juxtaposes surviving a career in the competitive arts world with the rigors of a cancer diagnosis. Presentations bring humor, inspiration, hope, and of course, her singing. Take "Comfort and Courage" home with Manzi's CD that supports cancer causes.

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So compelled by caring for her elderly parents, both with Alzheimer's disease, Jacqueline gave up her career as a television executive to become an advocate for eldercare awareness and reform. Author of *Elder Rage*, Jacqueline's mission expanded to include stress, nutrition, and cancer during her triumph over 18 months of breast cancer treatments. Advocating for gratitude and humor to overcome life's challenges, along with mega-nutrition, Jacqueline's presentation is an inspirational and "edu-taining" event.

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she has made an effort to help others through her experiences. She is a published writer, with articles appearing in *Coping with Cancer* magazine and on the AOL and Yahoo websites. She believes that everyone becomes a survivor from the moment they are diagnosed and that it's important to draw strength from one another.

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"Jan did an outstanding job helping close to 200 people rediscover that laughter really is good medicine. Jan had a very easy way about her, and was very comfortable mingling with our patients both before and after her show." That's what clients are saying about Jan McInnis' "Finding the Funny" humorous keynote presented at other Cancer Survivor Day events. Her humor focuses on work, family, and life. Jan's keynotes work both virtually and in person. Jan is also a fabulous Master of Ceremonies keeping the event rolling and on-time. She has been featured in the *Wall Street Journal*, *The Washington Post*, and the *Huffington Post*."

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MARY LOU QUINLAN

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Mary Lou Quinlan is a marketer, author, actress, speaker, and advocate for women. Diagnosed with breast cancer in April 2009, Mary Lou hopes to help others by sharing her story with candor and humor. Her latest book and play, *The God Box*, is fast becoming a global movement of giving back. To date, she has raised over \$400,000 for causes including cancer and hospice care, hospitals and health research, and for women, family, and community educational charities. Proceeds of performance ticket sales and books sold at her events go straight to causes that help families around the country.

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Award-winning international speaker and leading expert Kimberly Reed has developed a distinguished reputation as having one of the most distinct and powerful voices on the lecture circuit. Her infectious

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NY Times best-selling author and breast cancer survivor Teresa Rhyme has let her life go to the dogs – literally! Diagnosed with triple-negative breast cancer soon after her rescued beagle, Seamus, was diagnosed with his own cancer, Teresa adopted the mantra of "the dog lived and so will I." She chronicled the ups and downs of surgery, chemo, radiation, starting her own law firm, and finding romance in her memoir *The Dog Lived (And So Will I)*. Today, Teresa brings her humor to audiences around the U.S., speaking about surviving cancer and "focusing on the cookie," just like Seamus taught her.

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Beth Ryan feels that while no one is prepared for a cancer diagnosis, cancer can be a powerful teacher. When facing her own diagnosis, life as she knew it ceased to exist, and she felt that cancer consumed her and her loved ones. She found that the first step

was to surrender to the process and accept that many things were out of her control. As she walked through her cancer journey, Beth faced a steep learning curve because lessons she had learned in her life did not apply to living with cancer. Beth Ryan shares her own personal journey with breast cancer, chemotherapy, and double mastectomies to help other patients and loved ones navigate the complex and often messy process.

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ALICE SALAND, MA

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Alice is a breast cancer survivor, personal trainer, and fitness columnist who sought out exercise to speed up her recovery. Her exercise program was so successful she was given funds to produce, write, and star in her own video, *Alicethenics: Exercises to Increase Freedom of Movement After Breast Surgery*, released in 2000. The nationally-distributed video provides a complete body workout, with emphasis on the upper body, and closes with a meditation designed to promote the body's ability to heal itself. Currently, Alice lectures about her incredible journey and demonstrates the positive effects of exercise for women who have undergone breast cancer surgery.

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Fate decided to challenge Frederick Schultz with cancer and other serious medical issues, forcing him to learn a number of life lessons "the hard way."

Now, from his survivor's vantage, Fred uses his gifts as storyteller, corporate leader, father, and coach to inspire others toward a more meaningful life. By conveying his own experiences with cancer and other significant challenges – and the lessons learned by first surviving, then thriving through them – Fred's goal is to instill others with the meaning and motivation to truly come alive.

MARK SCHULMAN

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Mark Schulman, a first-call on-stage drummer, is also an educator, motivational speaker, mentor, advocate for at-risk youth, and a cancer survivor. Mark's resumé reads like a who's who of music, including acts such as Sheryl Crow, Billy Idol, Foreigner, Pink, and Al Green. He is the recipient of numerous gold and platinum discs and has appeared internationally on television. He survived testicular cancer while his former wife was also undergoing cancer treatment. He has also cofounded a foundation to raise awareness in the male community. His love for inspiring others is shared through his speaking events and his signature drumming recording seminars.

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Dr. Julie Silver is a physician and breast cancer survivor who specializes in rehabilitation medicine with a focus on physical recovery. She took her own journey through the "healing zone," perfecting her healing techniques as she worked to speed her own recovery. An upbeat speaker with a positive and powerful message, Julie is interested in empowering others and giving them the tools they need to be resilient and happy. Dr. Silver is an Associate Professor at Harvard Medical School and on the medical staff at three hospitals in Boston, MA; cofounder of Oncology Rehab Partners; and author and editor of over a dozen books.

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OLYMPIA SNOWE

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Olympia Snowe's dedicated work for more than three decades in Congress has garnered her nationwide recognition as a leading policymaker in Washington. A lifelong advocate for cancer research, Olympia helped to pass several key pieces of cancer legislation, including the Breast Cancer Research Stamp, the Genetic Information Non-Discrimination Act, and the EARLY Act, which stands for *Education and Awareness Requires Learning Young*, and established a public education initiative around breast cancer for women under 45 years old.

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GLORIA STEINEM

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A survivor of breast cancer, Ms. Steinem is a devoted activist and writer and is undeniably one of the most important voices of the modern feminist movement. Perhaps best known as the cofounder, editor, and owner of *Ms. Magazine*, Ms. Steinem's name is synonymous with the advancement of women's social equality

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PATRICK SWEENEY

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Patrick Sweeney paid his way through state college where he took up rowing. With just two years of experience he tried out for the USA Olympics team, finished second in the Olympic trials, and won national and international championships in the process. Patrick attended a Top 5 business school where he would earn his MBA and go on to start three technology companies worth millions of dollars. During the height of his business success he contracted a very rare form of leukemia. The brush with death launched him on a path to make friends with fear to discover his adventure within. He has been rated one of the top speakers globally.

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MARLYS L. THOMPSON

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The loss of her husband in a plane crash led Marlys to explore transformational training: "Ways to Open Up New Possibilities" to continue life. In 1995, after being told she had stage IV breast cancer, her cancer disappeared between the first and second surgeries. This was a profound experience that changed her life and opened new ways for tapping into personal wisdom, balance, and well-being. She designs and implements training for companies and organizations and provides personal business coaching where people create amazing improvements in their business and personal lives.

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DOUG ULMAN

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Overcoming chondrosarcoma during his sophomore year of college and malignant melanoma twice since, Doug Ulman is a three-time cancer survivor and nationally recognized cancer advocate. He is President and CEO of Pelotonia, a Columbus, Ohio, charity bike ride that raised more than \$61 million for cancer research in its first five years. Mr. Ulman also serves as an advisor to the Ohio State University Comprehensive Cancer Center – Arthur G. James Cancer Hospital and Solove Research Institute, and is a member of the Sarcoma Alliance for Research through Collaboration Board of Directors. Previously, Doug served as President and CEO of the Livestrong Foundation.

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