*Springville Students for Human Rights are proud to present their second play…*

**Ripples of Hope: Profiles of people who have changed the world**

7:00PM Friday and Saturday, May 10th and 11th, 2013

Springville Elementary School, Springville, New York~ $10.00 adult/ $5.00 students and Seniors

www.ripplesofhope.weebly.com

**Background and Goals:**

"Ripples of Hope" is a 90 minute theatrical performance in which students act-out first person narratives of famous historical and current human rights defenders. Inspired by Kerry Kennedy's book *Speak Truth to Power,* and based upon the format of the adapted play by Ariel Dorfman entitled *Speak Truth to Power, Voices from Beyond the Dark,* the purpose of the performance is to encourage its audience to reach out to repair the world. The proceeds from the event will be donated to Refugee Relief for Syria sponsored by the International Rescue Committee.

**The Human Rights Defenders and the students who will portray them:**

* **Harriet Tubman,** American abolitionist; Amy Stabell, Grade 6
* **Miep Gies,** Dutch provider for the Frank Family during the Holocaust; Molly Stabell, Grade 9
* **Robert Jackson,** Chief U.S. Prosecutor at the Nuremburg Trials; Matthew Krebs, Grade 9
* **Harry Wu,** Chinese Labor Activist; Zachary Cudney, Grade 9
* **Mother Teresa,** Human Rights Activist; Daria Waterman, Grade 9
* **Anonymous,** Sudanese Human Rights Activist, Emily Barger, Grade 9
* **Rebecca Lolosoli,** Kenyan Women’s Rights activist; Emyle Watkins, Grade 9
* **Ammar Abdulhamid,** Syrian-American Human Rights Activist, Mitchell Beiter, Grade 9
* **Malala Yousafzai,** Pakistani Girls’ Education activist; Nina Koelemeyer, Grade 9
* **Voices of Doubt,** played by Colin Engelhardt
* **Student Directors,** Rainah Umlauf, Grade 12 and Hope Trautman, Grade 9
* **Student Artists,** Dominic Hartenstein, Grade 7, violin; Caitlin Bruscia, Grade 9, dance;

Kinga Domokos, Grade 12, vocals

* **Stage Hand,** Calvin Gath, Grade 10
* **Publicity and Videography,** Caroline Francisco, Grade 11; Margaret Beiter, Grade 6
* **Faculty Moderators,** Drew Beiter and Beth Lewandowski

Play Order:

Opening: Drew Beiter

Emyle:

Nina

Mitch

I Am Syria video

Zach

Amy

Molly

Kinga Song

Conversation with cast

Matt: Jackson and Nuremberg

Mitch: Ammar and Syria

Music Break

Amy: Tubman and Slavery

Zach: Harry Wu and China

Interlude:

Amy: Miep and the Franks

Interlude:

Emyle: Lollosoli

Daria: Mother Theresa

Interlude

Nina: Malala

Concluding Piece