

# Julia Fox Garrison Speaker Feedback

## Beverly Hospital Volunteer Luncheon (225 participants)

Hi Julia,

Just wanted to thank you again for Friday!!! It was such a wonderful treat to meet you and get to hear you speak! You are an inspiration to all and you do it with such fabulous humor and obvious love of life! I have had nothing but overwhelming kudos for you as our speaker - the volunteers have come in one right after another and thanked us for having you!!

## American Heart Org Indianapolis Go Red feedback (750+ participants)

Overall, I've heard nothing but exceptional and positive feedback on Julia from sponsors and individuals who attended the luncheon. She had the opportunity to reach out to 750 women at the Go Red Luncheon and did just that. Everyone felt inspired, motivated, and thoroughly enjoyed Julia's personality. She's witty, fun, honest, and quite humorous! I'd recommend her for any event. Julia and her story are absolutely incredible!

AND IN ANOTHER EMAIL

I've had several people ask about you so I'm sure you'll get more calls. A lot of the luncheons will be winding down in May but as we gear up for next year's events, I have no doubt you'll be getting more calls. I've received nothing but positive feedback from anyone that went and everyone loved you...I promise!

## Havard CME Lecture evaluation feedback (400+ participants)

Here are some comments about your presentation from the course evaluations:

"Excellent!"

On a scale of 1-4, with 4 being the highest: "4++"

"Good and humorous teacher"

"Outstanding"

"Loved Julia Fox Garrison. She definitely has a gift!"

"4++++"

"Great! Courageous person."

"Super!"

"Fantastic - have back next year!"

"Very inspirational"

You were the only one who received a standing ovation!!!

## **Rosen Annual Dinner Lecture—Shaugnessy/Kaplan Hospital (225+ participants)**

Hi Julia-

Just wanted to thank you again for your talk at the Rosen lecture. The feedback we have been getting is amazing! You really made our nurses and therapists stop and think about how they approach their work.

## **Feedback from a local bookclub of nurses with over 30 attending (small venue but I enjoyed the intimacy)**

Greetings Julia.

I hope this finds you well. Everywhere I go locally, folks are talking about your book and many have heard your motivational speeches and are very inspired.

It was a very special “event” for me...you have touched all the Rhuda women in my life with your heroic story, and to have the chance to share it with others AND the bonus to “hang out” with you in person just awesome. You mentioned how some people stick to you for life... meeting you was one of those for me. To laugh in the face of adversity, to cherish your family and friends, and to celebrate each day for what it brings on...such a wonderful and simple lesson for life. Thank you for reminding us and for sharing your beautiful smile with a room of loving folk...We do have a history of staying out late but that night was a bigger “after hours” crowd than usual..a fun time for a school night.

I am going to give your book to my course director at UMass Lowell. I suggested possible guest spots in CVA section or in Ethics of Nursing.... what do you think..and what is your speaking fee for universities? I hope to hear back from them re: Fall 2007 curriculum soon.

## **Florida Ministry Group Teleconference Feedback**

Dear Julia --

I am ever so grateful that you went to all the trouble of this ‘visit’. I wish we could have seen you, but at least we had an uplifting talk.

EVERYONE, and I mean every one of the group, were so complimentary I felt like calling you back to let them tell you first-hand.

It wasn’t just the usual “wasn’t she interesting (or entertaining), or whatever --it was obvious you had touched their souls.

## **Stepping Stones/Portsmouth Hospital**

Hi Julia...YOU WERE AWESOME!! The initial feedback is that everyone loved you and found the talk very inspirational!

Hey Julia- I attended your SRO talk yesterday at Steppingstones. Well Done! I admired the way you kept your train of concentration, and no obvious notes. Reading lectures or sermons is for wimps! I am a 60 year old orthopedic surgeon, specializing in upper extremity and hand surgery

## **American Heart Go Red --Grand Rapids Michigan**

Good morning, Julia!

Wow! You have such a fantastic outlook on life and what a refreshing presentation at the luncheon on the 2nd!

Thank you for making time for Steve and me at Star 105.7. Your interview was informative and definitely generated excitement for the seminar.

## **Reference for American Heart Association**

Dear Angie,

Julia Fox Garrison was the keynote speaker for the Friends of the Boxford Town Libraries annual meeting this past June. She was wonderful! We had about 150 people in attendance (almost entirely women). We had her do a book signing before and after the event. People joining us for the luncheon were very interested in getting a signed copy of her book and we were concerned there would be a long line at the end of the event, so we had her sign both before and after the luncheon. Julia spoke about "the incident" and her recovery, she read a chapter from her book and then answered questions. She was funny and inspiring. There were moments where she discussed something heavy or sad, but she would always end it with a joke. People were truly moved and I think Julia touched people very personally and for a variety of reasons. Everyone there could relate to her on some level - as a mother of young children, having a relative with a chronic illness, their own mortality, etc. There were a lot of questions from the audience which covered a variety of topics - her diagnosis, her treatment, issues she raised re: the medical community, her family, writing the book, working with the publisher, her book tour, etc. We finally had to cut the questions off. It was our best attended event ever and I received wonderful feedback. People continue to stop me in the street to tell me how much they enjoyed Julia. I would strongly recommend her. I hope this helps. Please feel free to contact me if you have any further questions.

Martha Roberts

President

Friends of the Boxford Town Libraries

