

THE GOAL

THE SOLE PURPOSE OF THIS PROJECT IS FOR ALL OF THE PROFITS FROM THE SALE OF THIS CD TO GO TO NATIONAL MILL DOG RESCUE (NMDR) AND TO EDUCATE THE PUBLIC ABOUT THE CRUEL REALITIES OF THE COMMERCIAL DOG BREEDING INDUSTRY "PUPPY MILLS". NMDR RESCUES, RE-HABILITATES, AND RE-HOMES BREEDING DOGS DISCARDED FROM PUPPY MILLS. THEIR TIRELESS VOLUNTARY EFFORTS TO HELP THESE INNOCENT, ABUSED DOGS IS LED BY ITS FOUNDER, THERESA STRADER. I THANK GOD FOR BEING BLESSED TO BE ABLE TO HAVE THE RESOURCES AND SUPPORT TO ACCOMPLISH THIS GOAL FOR THE GREATER GOOD. I HAVE BELIEVED FROM ITS INCEPTION THAT A COMPLETELY SELFLESS ACT OF KINDNESS CAN ONLY BE SUCCESSFUL AS ITS PURPOSE IS PURE. THANK YOU TO ALL WHO HAVE PURCHASED THIS CD TO HELP NMDR CONTINUE THEIR DEVOTION TO THESE ANIMALS.

WITH LOVE,
DAHNA.

FOR DIRECT DONATIONS TO NMDR PLEASE VISIT AND REFERENCE
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Dahna Bender Christmas



Giving of the Heart
For the Benefit of National Mill Dog Rescue

THANK YOU

NATIONAL MILL DOG RESCUE (NMDR)

I VISITED NATIONAL MILL DOG RESCUE IN APRIL OF THIS YEAR. I KNEW ALL ABOUT THE ORGANIZATION AHEAD OF TIME, AND THE AMAZING PEOPLE THAT WORKED THERE LED BY THEIR FOUNDER, THERESA STRADER. BUT, AS I FLEW TO COLORADO, LITTLE DID I KNOW HOW THIS EXPERIENCE WOULD AFFECT ME.

I LOVED THERESA FROM AFAR, LIKE WE ALL DO. MEETING HER, BEING IN HER PRESENCE AND FEELING HER PASSION AND DEVOTION TO THE DOGS ALL AROUND HER IN HER "HOME" (LILY'S HAVEN) IS VERY HARD TO PUT INTO WORDS THAT GIVE IT ADEQUATE JUSTICE. I LOVED MEETING THE VOLUNTEERS WHO ARE AS DEVOTED AS THERESA AND SHARE IN HER MISSION. I LOVED SEEING THEIR UNCONDITIONAL LOVE FOR THESE PUPS AND HEARING THEIR STORIES OF WHAT BROUGHT THEM TO NMDR - THE EMOTIONAL, HEARTFELT NARRATIONS OF THEIR EXPERIENCES WITH THESE PRECIOUS ANIMALS. I LOVED GETTING TO SIT ON THE FLOOR HOLDING THESE EVER SO FRAIL BEINGS IN MY ARMS, FEELING THEIR LITTLE HEARTS BEAT AND WONDERING WHAT HORRIBLE EXPERIENCE EACH ONE HAD TO ENDURE, AND BEING SO THANKFUL THAT THIS ONE MADE IT OUT TO SAFE HAVEN.

I WAS DEVOTED AND COMMITTED TO SUPPORTING NMDR BEFORE MY VISIT. I AM JUST AS DEVOTED, BUT NOW I HAVE THIS NEW FEELING OF HUMBLENESS ALONG WITH RESPECT AND LOVE FOR ALL THE PEOPLE AND PUPS.

THANK YOU NMDR FOR ALL THAT YOU DO. I WILL FOREVER WORK TO RAISE AWARENESS FOR YOUR ORGANIZATION SO THAT YOU MAY CONTINUE YOUR AWE-INSPIRING LIFE-SAVING MISSION. ALL MY LOVE AND ADMIRATION, DAHNA



THERESA, PETE AND
DAHNA



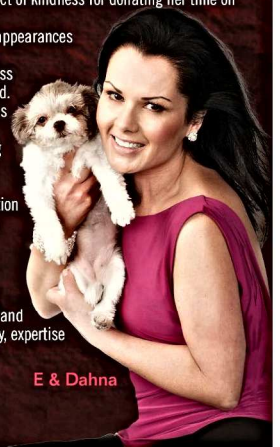
Dedication

DEDICATED TO:
My Father: Harry Valentine Bender 2/14/26-12/9/95 "My Father Inspired Me."
Thank you Daddy for teaching me to close my eyes and feel my way.

Thank You

My Husband: Vincent P. Basilice MD: for his continuing the belief and full support with this project.
My Mom: Louise A. Bender: for her life long dedication and never ending positive attitude.
My Puper: Eli-Elsworth-E-Footer: she gives our family never ending love, happiness, laughs and comfort.
Karmine Alers: For her loving friendship, amazing talent and act of kindness for donating her time on this project.
Amanda, Elisa, Geraldine, Jeanine and Renee: for their guest appearances and wonderful addition.
Barbara Dennyhy :for introducing me to NMDR and her relentless devotion to eradicating the frightening puppy mills of the world.
Robert McBride/Park Strategies: For his friendship and selfless act to help with this project.
The Pitching Staff PR/ Jules Feilrt & Daneille Lerner: For taking on the project with the understanding and appreciation of its uniqueness and believing in it as a part of the team.
GREENRUBINO/ John Rubino: For putting me in the right direction and making sure it happened. And to his PR director Hamilton McCulloh for seeing it through.
Katie Agresta: for taking me under her wing since age 6 in Massapequa as my vocal coach and friend.
Airgo Music: Jimmy Greco, Russ DeSalvo, Bill Heller and Chris Tyborowski for making it possible for me to live out my project and embracing my goal and adopting it as their own with creativity, expertise and kindness.
To God: for all the blessedness and grace he has bestowed on me my entire life.

E & Dahna



Giving Of The Heart

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MUSICAL ARRANGEMENTS BY:
BILL HELLER, DAHNA BENDER, RUSS DESALVO & JIMMY GRECO

PRELUDES TO WINTER WONDERLAND AND THE LITTLE DRUMMER BOY
WRITTEN AND DIRECTED BY: DAHNA BENDER

ALL KEYBOARDS AND STRING ARRANGING: BILL HELLER
ALL ACOUSTIC AND ELECTRIC GUITARS: RUSS DESALVO
ALL PERCUSSION AND DRUM PROGRAMMING: JIMMY GRECO

PRELUDE TO "THE LITTLE DRUMMER BOY" BY: RENEE AND JEANINE LARUSSA
PRELUDE TO "WINTER WONDER LAND" BY: AMANDA LAPIERRE

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1. NOEL
TRADITIONAL SONG

2. JINGLE BELLS
TRADITIONAL SONG
BACKGROUND VOCALS: DAHNA BENDER

3. THE LITTLE DRUMMER BOY
WRITERS: (KATHERINE K. DAVIS, HENRY ONORATI,
HARRY SIMEONE)
PUBLISHER: INTERNATIONAL KORWIN CORP /
EMI MILLS MUSIC INC
DRUMS : FRANK VILARDI
BACKGROUND VOCALS: DAHNA BENDER
PRELUDE BY: JEANIE AND RENE LARUSSA AND DAHNA
BENDER

4. SILENT NIGHT
TRADITIONAL SONG
BACKGROUND VOCALS ARRANGED BY: MICHAEL MCELROY
CHOIR: DANIELLE GREAVES, CHELSEA KROMBACH, SHAYNA
STEELE

5. WHAT CHILD IS THIS
TRADITIONAL SONG
DUET WITH GUEST VOCALIST : KARMINE ALERS
Credits include: Lead role as Mimi on Broadway Production
"RENT", AIDA in "AIDA", Film "Naked as we came" 2013
release.

6. SLEIGH RIDE
WRITERS: LEROY ANDERSON, MITCHELL PARISH
PUBLISHERS: EMI MILLS MUSIC INC OBO WOODBURY MUSIC
/ EMI MILLS MUSIC INC
BACKGROUND VOCALS: KARMINE ALERS, DAHNA BENDER

7. THE CHRISTMAS SONG
WRITERS: MEL TORME, ROBERT WELLS
PUBLISHER: SONY/ATV TUNES LLC
MPL MUSIC PUBLISHING, INC. OBO EDWIN H.

MORRIS & CO.SAX SOLO: WILLE SCOPPETTONE
DRUMS : FRANK VILARDI

8. BREATH OF HEAVEN (MARY'S SONG)
WRITERS: CHRIS EATON, AMY GRANT
PUBLISHER: BUG MUSIC OBO SGO MUSIC
PUBLISHING, LTD.
THE LOVING COMPANY OBO RIVERSTONE MUSIC
THE LOVING COMPANY OBO AGE TO AGE MUSIC
BACKGROUND VOCALS: DAHNA BENDER

9. WINTER WONDERLAND
WRITERS: FELIX BERNARD, DICK SMITH
PUBLISHER: WB MUSIC CORP
PRELUDE BY: AMANDA LAPIERRE AND DAHNA BENDER
BACKGROUND VOCALS: DAHNA BENDER
HORNS : SAX - JOHN SCARPULLA
TRUMPET - JERRY SOKOLOV
TROMBONE - OZZIE MELENDEZ
DRUMS : FRANK VILARDI

10. OH HOLY NIGHT
TRADITIONAL SONG
BACKGROUND VOCALS ARRANGED BY: MICHAEL MCELROY
CHOIR: DANIELLE GREAVES, CHELSEA KROMBACH, SHAYNA
STEELE
ADDITIONAL VIOLIN: GERALDINE GAYSON - LAPIERRE
ADDITIONAL HARP: ELISA KEENA

11. GROWN-UP CHRISTMAS LIST
WRITERS: DAVID FOSTER, LINDA THOMPSON JENNER
PUBLISHERS: WARNER-TAMERLANE PUB. OBO LINDA'S BOYS
MUSIC / PEERMUSIC III LTD

12. WINTERSONG
WRITER: SARAH ANN MCLACHLAN
PUBLISHERS: CANADA INC / SONY/ATV SONGS / SONY/ATV
SONGS LLC OBO TYDE MUSIC
BACKGROUND VOCALS: DAHNA BENDER



What Child Is This

Duet with Guest Vocalist Karmine Alers
Credits include: Lead role as Mimi on Broadway Production
"RENT", AIDA in "AIDA". Film "Naked as we came" 2013 release.



Karmine Alers, Eli Elsworth & Dahna

Breath Of Heaven (Mary's song)

Dedicated to Theresa Strader

Everyone in life has a load to bear that may make us feel alone. We're often left to wonder its purpose. Help from others can give us the strength to endure. Like A Breath of Heaven, it's all we need to get through.

A Breath of Heaven to hold Theresa together and help continue her mission.



Lily

The NMDR kennel in Peyton Colorado is dedicated to the memory of Lily and referred to as Lily's Haven.



Most often, rescues start because of the way one animal touches a person's life.... such is the story of National Mill Dog Rescue.

Meet Lily, the inspiration for our work. In honor of this extraordinarily special dog, in six short years, NMDR has rescued and placed over 8,000 puppy mill survivors.

National Mill Dog Rescue was established in February 2007, in honor of a forgiving little Italian Greyhound named Lily. Theresa Strader, NMDR's Founder and Executive Director, rescued Lily from a dog auction in Missouri. Prior to that day, Lily had spent the first seven years of her life as a commercial breeding dog, a puppy mill mom. Determined that her years of living in misery would not be in vain, Strader started NMDR, giving a voice to mill dogs across the country.

Winter Song

In loving Memory of :
Annamarie Rose Tucci
6/8/49-9/16/12
And
Rosemary Herring
9/19/51-12/14/11

