

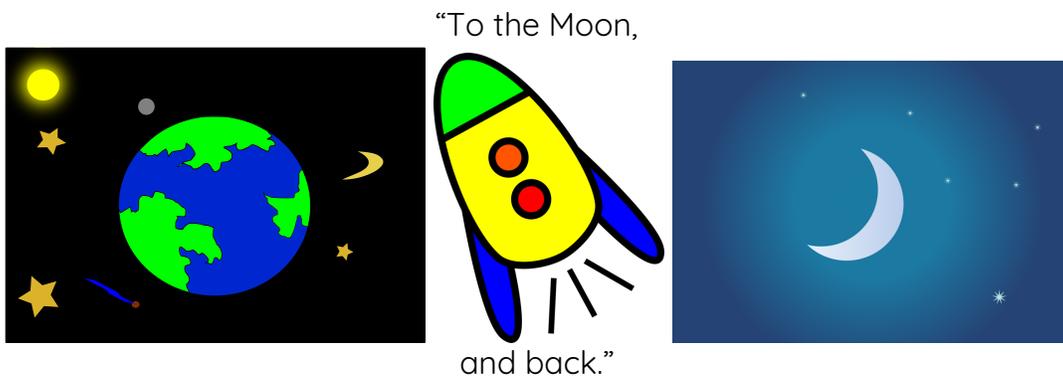
Hello to all you excellent and wonderful bowlers and captains,

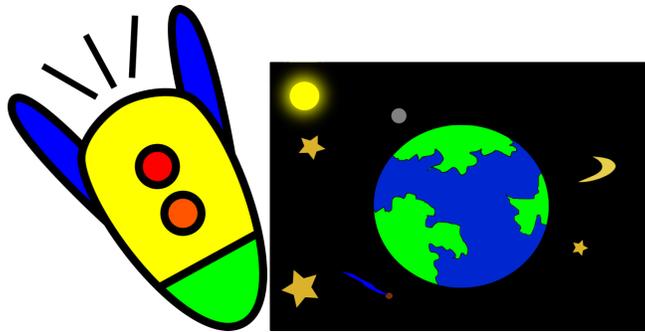
This is Arie Kroeger, your Bowl-A-Thon producer and Director of Advocacy and Programming at Our Justice.

Many people mark the middle of February by celebrating their loved ones. They make special dining arrangements with their partners and boos, they send cards to friends and family, and a whole lot of chocolate gets consumed. Other folks have disinvested from Valentines day, and are intentional about celebrating their loved ones in other ways. However you choose to honor the people you care about, we wanted to take this opportunity to appreciate you.

You, bowlers and captains, make our work at Our Justice possible. Your drive and determination to support abortion access and Reproductive Justice by asking your communities to donate their hard earned resources leaves us inspired every year. It's the reason we were able to celebrate 50 years as an organization, and now 25 years of the Bowl-A-Thon.

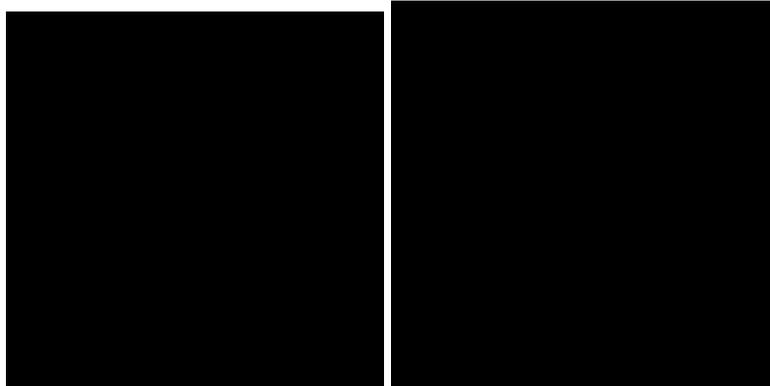
It's hard to express how much we appreciate you, but we'll try by referencing a book my 9 month old daughter Fran and I read regularly (usually right after reading "A is for activist"). In the book a young rabbit asks their parent to guess how much they love them. The pair then proceed to measure longer and longer spaces, always followed by "this much", in an attempt to express how large their love is. It turns out that it's hard to measure their love, just as it's hard for us to put to words exactly how much we appreciate you. But one thing is for sure, it's at least,





Which also qualifies as your Bowl-A-Thon theme hint. No, we are not doing an outer space theme again, but we are definitely feeling appreciative of you and all the other individuals, organizations, and communities that have made 50 years of our work possible. For those of you who are super anxious, we plan on announcing this year's theme next week!

And as a token of our appreciation, here is this week's Bowl-A-Thon contest. For every \$50 you raise by 12:01am 2/15, you'll get an entry to win your choice of a \$50 gift certificate to either [Spoils of Wear](#) or (if there is a baby boo in your life) to [Teeny Bee Boutique](#).



Alright excellent and wonderful bowlers and captains, we hope the appreciation and contests (along with your dedication to abortion access and Reproductive Freedom) have fueled up your fundraising engines. Thank you for all you do, and watch your inboxes for the theme announcement.

In Peace and Strength,

Arie Kroeger